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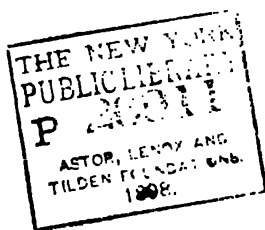
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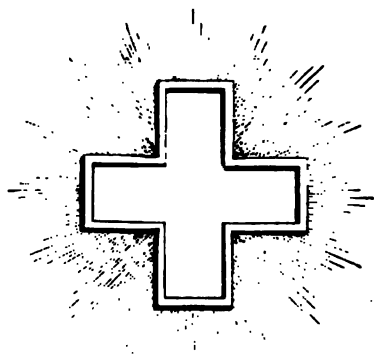


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REV. LEWIS WALKE, *Dean*.

St. Paul's, Kent, Tuesday, November 21st. Port Deposit, Tuesday, January 23d. Shrewsbury, Tuesday, April 10th.

MIDDLE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., *Dean*.

Wye, Tuesday, September 26th. St. Michael's, Tuesday, October 24th. Centreville, Tuesday, April 17th.

SOUTHERN.

REV. F. W. HILLIARD, *Dean*.

Spring Hill, Tuesday, October 17th. Pocomoke, Tuesday, January 9th. Snow Hill, Tuesday, May 1st.

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W. B. CUTTING, 22 Bible House, New York, Domestic Missions.

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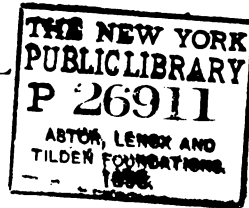
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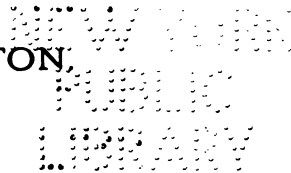
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* * * Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

- The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.
- " Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
- " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.
- " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.
- " " *JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.
- " " **Thomas L. Green*, residing at Church Hill.
- " " *JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.
- " " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.
- " " JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
- " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
- " " JOHN MARTIN, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
- " " E. J. STEARNS, D. D., Examining Chaplain.
- " " **George S. Fitzhugh*, residing near Berlin.
- " " **Edward G. Perryman*, Perrymansville, Md.
- " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.
- " " LEWIS WALKER, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
- " " E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk Parish.
- " " *PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.
- " " *PIERRE DU GUE TRAPIER.
- " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Rector of All Saint's Church.
- " " W. WALLACE GREEN, Rector of Dorchester Parish.
- " " J. H. B. BROOKS, Rector of Spring Hill Parish.
- " " HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, M. D., Rector of Coventry Parish.
- " " FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
- " " ALBERT R. WALKER, Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.
- " " WILLIAM SCHOUER, Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.
- " " ALBERT WARE, Rector of Wye Parish.
- " " *HENRY T. LEE, Rector of Worcester Parish.
- " " S. D. HALL, Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.
- " " F. B. CROZIER, Minister at St. John's, Miles River.
- " " *A. BATTE, Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
- " " J. W. LARMOUR, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
- " " JAMES CARMICHAEL, D. D., Rector of St. James' Church, Port Deposit.
- " " FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, Deacon, Missionary in the Southern Convocation.
- " " *HENRY WALL, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co.
- " " *W. H. PHILLIPS, E. N. Market and Vienna Parishes, Dorchester County.

In all, the Bishop, 2 Deacons and 33 Priests—36.

LIST OF CLERGY,
WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Easton, Md.
- 2 " Rev. F. B. ADKINS, Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 3 " " THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 4 " " A. BATTE, Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.
- 5 " " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 6 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
- 7 " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Longwoods, Talbot Co., Md.
- 8 " " J. H. B. BROOKS, Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 9 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 10 " " JAS. CARMICHAEL, D. D., Port Deposit, Cecil Co., Md.
- 11 " " F. B. CROZIER, Tunis' Mill, Talbot Co., Md.
- 12 " " HARRISON CRUIKSHANK, Upper Fairmount, Somerset Co., Md.
- 13 " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.,
- 14 " " GEO. S. FITZHUGH, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 15 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 16 " " W. WALLACE GREENE, Church Creek,, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 17 " " S. D. HALL, Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
- 18 " " F. W. HILLIARD, Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
- 19 " " J. W. LARMOUR, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.,
- 20 " " H. T. LEE, Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
- 21 " " JOHN MARTIN, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 22 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 23 " " JAS. A. MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 24 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN, Perrymansville, Harford Co., Md.
- 25 " " WM. H. PHILLIPS, E. New Market, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 26 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 27 " " WILLIAM SCHOULER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 28 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 29 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 30 " " PIERRE DU GUE TRAPIER.
- 31 " " LEWIS WALKE, Earleville, Cecil Co., Md.
- 32 " " HENRY WALL, D. D., Fairlee, Kent Co., Md.
- 33 " " ALBERT R. WALKER, Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
- 34 " " A. WARE, Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 35 " " J. N. WATTSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 36 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST
OF
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS, WITH THE CLERGY
OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
Rev. George F. Beaven, Rector.	P. S. Reynolds, M. D.
ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL PARISH.	
Rev. S. D. Hall, Rector.	George M. Russum.

CECIL COUNTY.

AUGUSTINE PARISH.	
NORTH ELK PARISH	
Rev. E. K. Miller, Rector.	Henry S. Coudon.
NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.	
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	
TRINITY PARISH.	
Rev. Wm. Schouler, Rector.	John S. Wirt.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH.	
Rev. J. Carmichael, D.D., Rector.	R. C. Hopkins.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

DORCHESTER PARISH.	
Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.	Robert L. Spilman.
EAST NEW MARKET PARISH.	
Rev. Wm. H. Phillips, Rector.	E. S. Johnson.
GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH.	
Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.	Wm. R. Hayward, M. D.
Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon,	Daniel M. Henry, Jr.,
Assistant Minister.	
VIENNA PARISH.	
Rev. Wm. H. Phillips, Rector.	W. S. Craft.

KENT COUNTY.

CHESTER PARISH.

Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

Lay Delegates.

Wm. S. Walker.

I. U. PARISH.

NORTH KENT PARISH.

Rev. J. N. Wattson, Rector.

*L. M. Bean.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., Rector.

James Rankin.

SHREWSBURY PARISH.

Rev. John Martin, Rector.

John W. Ireland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

E. C. Legg.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Wm. Gould.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

Edwin H. Brown.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.

Rev. A. Ware, Rector.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.

Rev. H. Cruikshank, Rector.

SOMERSET PARISH.

Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector.

Wm. H. Gale, M. D.

WICOMICO PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Missionary.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

POCOMOKE PARISH.

Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.

S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Rector.

ST. PETER'S PARISH.

Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, OXFORD.		<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
WHITEMARSH PARISH.		
Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.		E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.
TRINITY CATHEDRAL.		
The Bishop, Rector.		Henry E. Bateman.
Rev. J. W. Larmour.		J. W. Cheezum.
Assistant Minister.		
ALL SAINTS' PARISH.		
Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.		George R. Goldsborough.
MILES RIVER PARISH.		
Rev. F. B. Crozier, Minister.		*T. H. Oliver.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.		
SALISBURY PARISH.		
Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Rector.		E. W. Humphreys, M. D.
SPRING HILL PARISH.		
Rev. F. B. Adkins, Missionary.		Horace Venables.
STEPNEY PARISH.		
Rev. F. B. Adkins, Missionary.		George D. Walter.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

ALL HALLOW'S PARISH.		
Rev. A. Batte, Rector.		
WORCESTER PARISH.		
Rev. H. T. Lee, Rector.		John R. Purnell.

In all, 37 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations represented at the Fourteenth Annual Convention by 27 Lay Delegates.

In attendance at the Fourteenth Annual Convention, Clergy 25, Lay Delegates 27.

CHURCH EDIFICES,

WITH THE

DATES OF CONSECRATION AND RE-DEDICATION.

ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE.

St. Paul's, Hillsborough, (W. R. W.) 1858.

Holy Trinity, Greensborough, (H. C. L.) 1875.

ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL.

Christ, Denton, (H. C. L.) 1874.

AUGUSTINE, CECIL.

St. Augustine, (W. R. W.) 1842.

NORTH ELK

St. Mary, North East, (W. R. W.) 1844.

St. Mark's, Perryville, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. John's in the Wilderness.

NORTH SASSAFRAS.

St. Stephen's, { Kemp. } 1824.

{ H. C. L. } 1874.

St. Stephen's, Cecilton, (H. C. L.) 1879.

TRINITY.

Trinity, Elkton, { Stone } 1832.

{ Kerfoot. } 1867.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

St. James', Port Deposit, (H. C. L.) 1882.

DORCHESTER, DORCHESTER CO.

Trinity, Church Creek, (W. R. W.) 1853.

Grace, Taylor's Island, (H. C. L.) 1873.

EAST NEW MARKET.

St. Stephen's, (W. R. W.) 1850.

GREAT CHOPTANK.

Christ, Cambridge,

St. John's, (W. R. W.) 1853.

St. James, Maple Dam, (H. C. L.) 1881.

VIENNA.

St. Paul's, Vienna.

CHESTER, KENT CO.

Emanuel, Chestertown, (H. C. L.) 1882.

I. U.

Christ, (W. R. W.) 1860.

NORTH KENT.

St. Clement's, 1855.

Holy Cross, Millington.

ST. PAUL'S, KENT.

St. Paul's, (W. R. W.) 1843.

SHREWSBURY.

Shrewsbury, { W. R. W. } 1840.
 { H. C. L. } 1880.

St. Andrew's, Galena, (H. C. L.) 1878.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S CO.

Christ, Kent Island, (W. R. W.) 1841.

ST. LUKE'S.

St. Luke's, Church Hill, (colonial and restored), (H. C. L.) 1881

St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, (H. C. L.) 1880.

ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's, Centreville, { Stone. } 1835.
 { W. R. W. } 1855.

WYE, QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT.

St. Luke's, Queenstown, (W. R. W.) 1842.

St. Luke's, Wye, (W. R. W.) 1854.

COVENTRY, SOMERSET CO.

St. Paul's, Annessex, (W. R. W.) 1848.

St. Mark's, Kingston, (W. R. W.) 1848.

St. Stephen's, Fairmount.

SOMERSET.

All Saints, Monie. { W. R. W. } 1845.
 { H. C. L. } 1881.

St. Andrew's, Princess Anne, (W. R. W.) 1845.

WICOMICO.

Grace, (W. R. W.) 1848.

POCOMOKE, SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COS.

St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. Stephen's, Naswaddux, (H. C. L.) 1877.

ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT CO.

Christ, St. Michael's, (Kemp) 1814.

Holy Innocents, Claiborne.

St. Paul's, Royal Oak, (W. R. W.) 1859.

ST. PETER'S.

Christ, Easton, { (Claggett) 1808.
 { (W. R. W.) 1847.
 { (Restored) (H. C. L.) 1876.

WHITEMARSH.

St. Peter's, Dilapidated.

St. Paul's, Trappe, (H. C. L.) 1872.

Grace, Oxford.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Trinity Chapel.

Holy Cross, Easton Point.

ALL SAINTS.

All Saints, (H. C. L.) 1873.

MILES RIVER.

St. John's, (Doane) 1839.

St. MATTHEW'S, WICOMICO CO.

St. Matthew's, (W. R. W.) 1849.

SALISBURY.

St. Peter's, Salisbury.

SPRING HILL.

St. Peter's, Spring Hill.

St. Philip's, Quantico, (W. R. W.) 1845.

STEPNEY.

Stepney, (Dilapidated).

St. Mary's, Tyaskin, (Doane) 1839.

ALL HALLOW'S, WORCESTER CO.

All Hallow's, Snow Hill.

St. John's, Traptown, (W. R. W.) 1845.

Holy Cross, Sandy Hill, (W. R. W.) 1851.

WORCESTER.

*St. Paul's, Berlin, (Kemp) 1827.

St. Martin's, (W. R. W.) 1845.

See Journal of the Diocese of Easton, 1869, p. 72, for authority anterior to the organization of the Diocese.

The Secretary invites corrections, if needed.

*Not included in Bishop Whittingham's List, but affirmed by several living witnesses, quoted by John R. Purnell, Lay Delegate of the Parish.

*OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE FOURTEENTH
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I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
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E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md.

The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.,
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Standing Committee:

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the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court (Elected 1880):

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Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

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Lowndes.

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the Bishop (President *ex-officio*) ; the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., and Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle, and John C. Earle, M. D.

Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese :

the Bishop (Chairman *ex-officio*) ; Thomas Hughlett (Treasurer *ex-officio*) ; the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention :

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. J. N. Wattson, and Messrs. Wm. S. Walker, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Geo. R. Goldsborough and Henry S. Coudon.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body, appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair: one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees, for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered, until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted, while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated, until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question before any motion, not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be: to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend and to offer a substitute; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it, but reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries, which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act, or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this Rule.

21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M., on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered, or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

Journal of Proceedings.

THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton* assembled at 10-30 A. M., in St. James' Church, Port Deposit, on Wednesday, the 7th day of June, 1882.

This being the day appointed for the consecration of this church, the service was opened by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Adkins, W. Y. Beaven and Martin. The Deed of Donation was read by Mr. R. C. Hopkins, and the Sentence of Consecration by the Rector, the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Morton, of St. James' Church, Philadelphia, from St. Mark xiv. 4.

The holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Barber, Carmichael and Martin.

Divine Service being concluded, the Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Secretary of the last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from a list furnished by the Bishop. The following Clergymen answered to their names :

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D.	The Rev. H. Cruikshank, M. D.,
D., LL. D.	" " F. B. Crozier,
" Rev. Franklin B. Adkins,	" " Jas. Carmichael, D. D.,
" " T. P. Barber, D. D.,	" " E. F. Dashiell,
" " G. F. Beaven,	" " W. W. Greene,
" " Jno. O. Barton, D. D.,	" " S. D. Hall,
" " W. Y. Beaven,	" " Francis Hilliard,
" " J. H. B. Brooks,	" " J. W. Larmour,

The Rev. Jno. Martin,	The Rev. Wm. Schouler,
" " E. K. Miller,	" " Albert Ware,
" " Jas. A. Mitchell,	" " Lewis Walke,
" " Stephen C. Roberts,	" " Albert R. Walker,
" " E. J. Stearns, D. D.,	" " R. Wilson, M. D.=2

The certificates of Lay Delegates being laid upon the table, the Secretary proceeded to call the names of the Delegates from the same. The following answered to their names:

Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D.,	Messrs. E. W. Humphreys, M. D. —
Henry E. Bateman,	Jno. W. Ireland,
Edwin H. Brown,	E. S. Johnson,
W. S. Craft,	S. S. McMaster,
John W. Cheezum,	Jno. R. Purnell,
Henry S. Coudon,	Geo. M. Russum,
Wm. H. Gale, M. D.,	Robt. L. Spilman,
Geo. R. Goldsborough,	Horace Venables,
E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.,	W. S. Walker,
Dan'l M. Henry, jr.,	Geo. D. Walter,
Robt. C. Hopkins,	John S. Wirt=22.

A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced the Convention duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell was nominated for re-election, and on motion, the ballot being dispensed with, the Rev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That visiting clergymen, candidates for Orders, and the Vestry of St. James' Church, be cordially invited to attend the sessions of the Convention.

There were present as visiting clergymen, the Rev. A. M. Randolph, D. D., the Rev. J. P. Hammond, D. D., the Rev.

George A. Leakin, the Rev. George Leeds, D. D., and the Rev. Messrs. Dean and Buck, of the Diocese of Maryland; the Rev. Henry J. Morton, D. D., of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D. D., of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania; and the Rev. Mr. Thompson, of the Diocese of Delaware.

The President announced the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. John O. Morton, D. D., A. R. Walker, Lewis Walke.

On Elections.—Messrs. S. S. McMaster, Henry S. Coudon, Geo. M. Russum.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund was made the order of the day, this evening after the reading of the Bishop's address.

On motion the Convention adjourned.

5 P. M.

Divine Service was held at 5 P. M., the Rev. Messrs. Larmour, Adkins and Carmichael, officiating.

EVENING SESSION.

8 P. M.

The Convention re-assembled and was called to order by the President.

Mr. S. S. McMaster, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates entitled to seats :

J. L. Adkins, M. D., H. E. Bateman, L. M. Bean, E. H. Brown, Wm. S. Craft, John W. Cheezum, H. S. Coudon, Wm. H. Gale, D., George R. Goldsborough, Wm. Gould, E. M. Hardcastle, D., Wm. R. Hayward, M. D., Dan'l M. Henry, jr., R. C. Hopkins, E. W. Humphreys, M. D., John W. Ireland, E. S. Johnson.

Edward C. Legg, S. S. McMaster, Thos. H. Oliver, John R. Purnell, P. S. Reynolds, M. D., James Rankin, Geo. M. Russum, Robert L. Spilman, Horace Venables, Wm S. Walker, Geo. D. Walter, John S. Wirt.

In addition to lay-delegates present at the Morning Session, Messrs. Wm. Gould, E. C. Legg, P. S. Reynolds, W. R. Hayward, and James Rankin, appeared and took their seats.

The Rev. Mr. Walker from the Committee on the Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following clergymen entitled to seats:

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., LL. D., the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., John O. Barton, D. D., Algernon Batte, George F. Beaven, W. Y. Beaven, James L. Bryan, M. D., J. H. B. Brooks, James Carmichael, D. D., Harrison Cruikshank, M. D., F. B. Crozier, Erastus F. Dashiell, W. Wallace Greene, Sam'l D. Hall, Francis W. Hilliard, J. W. Larmour, H. T. Lee, John Martin, Enoch K. Miller, James A. Mitchell, Stephen C. Roberts, Wm. Schouler, Edward J. Stearns, D. D., P. D. Thompson, P. Du Gue Trapier, Lewis Walke, A. R. Walker, Albert Ware, Jos. N. Wattson, Robert Wilson.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns moved that the report be so amended as to admit to his seat the Rev. F. B. Adkins, which motion did not prevail.

The President announced the following Committees:

On Accounts.—Messrs. R. C. Hopkins, E. S. Johnson, J. W. Cheezum.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Messrs. E. M. Hardcastle, H. S. Coudon, J. R. Purnell.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. S. C. Roberts, Rev. F. W. Hilliard, E. W. Humphreys, M. D.

On Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., Messrs. H. E. Bateman and W. H. Gale.

On Canons.—The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rev. E. F. Dashiell and Mr. E. H. Brown.

On the State of the Church.—The Revs. Robt. Wilson, J. H. B. Brooks, E. K. Miller, Messrs. D. M. Henry, Jr. and W. S. Craft.

The Bishop announced the presence of two visiting clergy from the Diocese of Maryland, and consent being given, the Rev. Geo. A. Leakin addressed the Convention touching a proposed celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Convention of Maryland; and the Rev. J. P. Hammond, D. D., made a statement concerning a church proposed to be builded in Baltimore, memorial of the late W. R. Whittingham, D. D., Bishop of Maryland.

The Bishop then read his address.

ADDRESS OF THE BISHOP.

REVEREND BRETHREN AND

BRETHREN IN THE LORD:

The sacred festivals which we have lately celebrated have served well, if their lessons have been duly pondered, to prepare us for the duty which now calls us to consult together. For we have been reminded that we have not only a dying Saviour, but a living Lord, ascended into the heavens and bestowing gifts on men. Prominent among those benefits are the gifts ecclesiastical. Thus we read in the Epistle appointed in the Ordination of Priests—"when He ascended up on high He led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men, * * * and HE GAVE," so doth the Holy Apostle expound the Holy prophecy he quotes, "some apostles and some prophets and some evangelists and some pastors and teachers: for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ."

How should it enhance our estimate of the sacred ministries of the Church, to remember that they are not self-appointed or self-contrived, but are the largess of the ascended Christ to His loyal subjects in the day when "the Lord said unto my Lord, sit thou on my right hand until I make thy foes thy foot stool;" and when we further remember that according to His purpose and ordinance, it is under the guidance of these ministries that "we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ!"

We have been reminded, too, on the Expectation Sunday and at Pentacost, how the first heralds of the cross tarried ten days at Jerusalem. They stood with their trumpets ready, yet voiceless in their hands, until He should descend, at whose breath only, the fenced walls of error and of sin fall down, and give admittance to

the army of God into the world's stronghold. So have we been taught how comfortless is the individual soul of man, and how inadequate to her task is the Church militant, without the abiding presence, the anointing grace, the supernatural energy of God the Holy Ghost.

We have been yet again reminded on the last Sunday, that the substantial faith we are set to teach, and on which the world's life depends, is "to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity."

I think there is an undertone of pathos in that collect for Trinity Sunday. One seems to hear the hard breathing of a combatant who had wrestled sore for victory, and anticipates a renewal of the assault. Thank God, he cries, the ark of the faith is safe! Pray God we may preserve it always! Our translation loses one delicate feature in this ancient collect. We have, indeed, well interpolated the petition "that thou wouldest keep us steadfast in this faith," but we miss the point that this very faith is itself the instrument with which God defends His Church. "*Quæsumus, ut ejusdem fidei firmitate, ab omnibus semper munimur adversis.*"

What dignity, what grace, are imparted to the deliberations of so humble a Synod as our own; when we thus see the sign-manual of the ascended King upon our charters, when we recognize the invisible presence of the Paraclete, the true vicar on earth of Him who occupies the mediatorial throne, and when we realize that we are within our sphere, the guardians and the disseminators of a faith once delivered, carefully formulated in the days of apostolic unity, and handed down to us under great difficulties, through many hazards and conflicts.

I pause just here to comment upon the exceeding importance of the Post-Resurrection Gospel. We seem rather to exhaust ourselves in the penitential services of Lent, and in the joyous festivities of Easter. The Ascension is not celebrated with the interest due to it, as the anniversary of so illustrious an incident in our Lord's life; and Whit-Sunday and Trinity have not so marked and distinct an appreciation as they really deserve.

Now I think it should be borne in mind, that our influence for good is very far from ending with the baptized members of our own congregations. In every village and neighborhood there are congregations of various names, all agreeing in what may be called

the "Popular Religion." They reject much which we highly value, especially in the matters of historical faith and order, of the value of authority in ascertaining doctrine, of the work of liturgies, and the excellent grace of sacraments. Among these our neighbors and brethren in the acknowledgment of a common Lord, one must be blind, indeed, who does not recognize a large measure of religious earnestness and activity. God forbid that we should either conciliate them by the sacrifice of truth, or alienate them by censoriousness and indifference.

I am very sure that we influence them, as, no doubt, they influence us in turn. A well ordered, well instructed Church of ours makes its mark upon the religious thought and habits of the whole community. If there be then any particulars in which the Popular Religion is deficient, it is these particulars which it becomes us specially to emphasize.

One of the main deficiencies of the Popular Religion is its comparative neglect of the Post-Resurrection Gospel. The story of the undying love, as rehearsed by it, ends with the Resurrection. That marvelous abstinence from the skies of the Great Forty Days, devoted to the inauguration of the means and instrumentalities necessary to make the Redemptive work efficacious to our need; the Ascension, with its lessons of a true humanity transported to the skies, of the sacrifice completed on Calvary continually pleaded before God, of a mediatorial reign inaugurated in the person of the God-man; the Pentacost with its revelation of the Holy Ghost given, as never before He had been given, descending upon a temporal mission, and that mission to the organic body of the faithful. These sacred seasons, with their memories, to us so replete with comfort and with inspiration, have not as yet been received, as Christmas and Easter have gradually found a place, in the customary religious teaching. Not that these truths are denied absolutely, only their significance and value are little realized. So, also, of Trinity, with its earnest lesson of the necessity of dogmatic truth. How few believe that in order to be saved we must not only exercise ourselves to preserve a pure conscience, but hold the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience, and look to the several persons of the blessed and undivided Trinity in their several offices for the gifts covenanted to men.

Assuredly, my brethren, waiving, if you will, the questions of

divine warrant and apostolic authority, conceding large praise to the orthodoxy and zeal of others, our diocese is not an impertinence or a superfluity among the religionists of Maryland. If it did nothing else, it bears a solemn, persistent witness to that magnificent truth, that while the cross is the centre of our redemption, love finished not there its labors in our behalf, but pursued its task awhile on earth, and then passing into the heavens renewed it there, and unwilling to leave us orphaned, returned in the person of another Personal Comforter to earth again, and will never cease its pleading, interceding, supervising cares, until all the ransomed find their crowns.

Let us see to it that we maintain our witness. The traveler wandering in the dark is best guided, not by the fitful flash, but by the quiet light which streams from the window of some faithful watcher. In the earnest and reverent setting out of God's holy truth in its fullness and its power, following it through the round of the Christian year, pausing to emphasize what the world reckons little of, we may do much to save our friends and neighbors from that religious incertitude which readily degenerates into unbelief.

There is yet another lesson of the Trinity Sunday which suits us well in our present assemblage. Trinity Sunday speaks to us of Unity. Unity, pure and simple, is almost inconceivable to our thought. Unity reconciled with diversity, Unity of nature co-existing with diversity of persons is the Christian revelation of the Divine Majesty, and assists our faith to believe in the One True God.

We are reminded of the Father, the fountain of divinity, of the Son begotten, of the Holy Ghost proceeding; diverse in their offices to men, the Father sending, the Son redeeming, the Spirit sanctifying; yet not three rival divinities, but One Uncreated and One Incomprehensible: one in nature, one in affection, one in will and purpose to the sons of men. How awful and how illustrious is the conception of the absolute unity and harmony in the bosom of the God-head.

Our Lord in mercy to us rehearsed on earth the High-Priestly prayer which He wearies not to repeat in heaven, and the petition oftenest repeated, is that we his children may reflect back to heaven somewhat of that Unity which is its utmost glory. "That they all may be one: as thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us."

There must be diversities, but these may co-exist with essential unity. I know full well that truth must be loved more than quietness, and there are times when brother must withstand brother and Paul rebuke Cephas. But it is a very mournful necessity. It cripples our work, it spoils our comfort, it mars our devotion. Take it altogether we have been blessed in this diocese with a large measure of unity. Let us cheerfully sacrifice much in order to ensure and to perfect it. Let us not offend each other by extravagancies in matters which are of little moment, by making the lines of official recognition and courtesy narrower in our little diocese than in the great family to which we belong, by any electioneering for place, by any whispers of detraction, by any jealousy of another's praises.

Let us seek, as a diocese, to act with unanimity and to move in unbroken order. When controversies prevail elsewhere in the Church, we may well heed the advice of the wise man concerning him that meddleth with strife that belongeth not to him, and abstain from a share therein. I do not mean that we should be indifferent to theological discussion. Each of us has the right to form his opinion, and he does no wrong to any one in expressing his judgment in all questions of doctrine and ritual, of prerogative and Canon law, so long as we confine ourselves to the intrinsic merits of the case. But when such discussions extend to the impeachment of motive or other personalities, unless we can intervene with healing words, we had best keep silent.

In the preparation of this Address I have for my guidance the language of the General Canon :

"At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the Journals."

I suppose that this Canon does not contemplate a transcript of the daily Journal. In Diocesan as in Parochial duty, the most

valuable work is to be found in the "daily round, the trivial task," repeating itself year by year and month by month.

The growth of the General Church demands time and thought and labor of its overseers. As we now approach the hundredth anniversary of our separate life as a National Church, and as we seek to improve the lessons of the past and to provide for the exigencies of the future, this class of duties become more engrossing. Thus I have attended the meetings of the Board of Missions, of the committee and sub-committee on the Revision of the Prayer Book, and of other like bodies.

It is in the effort to awaken interest in a provision for Disabled Clergymen and for the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen throughout the whole of the Church's domain, that I have found the most arduous work of the past year. My letters on this subject have been very numerous, disclosing many stories of distress and want.

I confess that I am at a loss to understand the causes of the Church's indifference in this regard. The importunate poor seldom fail to be relieved; but the patient sufferers reach no one's ear. I give utterance to my deepest conviction when I say that in all the large range of the Church's charities, there is none so meritorious, none which it is so wicked to neglect, as the provision for the Clergy and their families, when the burden and heat of the day have been cheerfully endured with no possibility of providing for shelter in the dark hours.

Those who are familiar with the facts will not condemn such statements as extravagant. The very last letter I received on this subject, contained \$30. The writer, forbidding any mention of his name, says: "I am myself a poor Clergyman, and have known straitness of circumstances. My income is barely sufficient for my wants, but I cheerfully give this to help another."

I would be greatly gratified if my brethren of the Clergy would so far endorse me as to give to the Trustees of the Clergy Relief, appointed by the General Convention, a tithe of the Communion Alms subject to their discretion and not specially appropriated.

Let us co-operate with the proposed Fund for Diocesan Clergy Relief, by a liberal contribution on each Whit-Sunday. The need is evident. We have at this time three disabled Clergymen and six widows of Clergymen of this Diocese, nearly all of whom are

without any private resources. If one will reflect for a moment upon what is implied in this statement, the claim of this Fund to a place in our systematic contributions will need no argument.

In this connection I must mention with a regret in which you all will share, that the Rev. John Martin, after forty-eight years of uninterrupted labor, finds it necessary, by reason of physical infirmity, to retire from parochial duty.

This Church of St. James, Port Deposit, and the congregation here gathered, are among the fruits of his ministry. Shrewsbury Parish, from which he will soon retire, as it has been the field in which the last years of his ministry have been spent, has borne fruits worthy of his maturest efforts. He leaves to his successor a restored Church, a Parish well-ordered and equipped, and a flock devoted to their Rector, and accustomed to yield cheerful obedience to him in those things wherein it is his duty to rule.

We will all follow him in his retirement with our affections and our best wishes.

I note with satisfaction the success of this congregation of St. James, Port Deposit, of St. Peter's and of Whitemarsh Parishes, in relieving themselves of all outstanding liabilities, and also the assurances given me in other Parishes where the Rectors have had an uncertain support, that henceforth accuracy and promptness shall characterize their financial administration. The improvement in Church building is unabated, and several of our own young men have formally offered themselves for the work of the ministry, or are looking thereto.

During the Lenten season I sought to aid my brethren by giving some connected instructions in such Churches as were accessible to me. I delivered five such lectures in my own chapel, four in Centreville, three in Denton and three in East New Market.

On the 28th of December, in Great Choptank Parish, I consecrated St. James' Memorial Chapel at Maple Dam. It evidences the unabated interest of the Rector in the Missionary work of his arduous Parish, and its name reminds us of the Rev. Dr. McKenney, who in his life-time contributed one half of the cost.

The old Church in Chestertown has no record of consecration, nor indeed is there any record of its name.

The Vestry having remodelled and restored it, I had the very great satisfaction, on the 8th of February, of consecrating it by the

name of Emanuel Church. The Rev. J. H. Eccleston, D. D., of the Diocese of New Jersey, preached on the occasion. The chancel window perpetuates the memory of his father, once an active member of the Church. Among the Clergy present were two of the former Rectors, the Rev. Mr. Stokes and the Rev. Mr. Hubert. This congregation is to be congratulated on the success of a difficult undertaking, and the change from an inconvenient building, difficult to speak in, into a church of admirable acoustic properties. The exterior is yet to be made answerable to the interior, and that work will not, we are told, be postponed very long.

On this morning I consecrated the Church of St. James, Port Deposit, in which we are now assembled. Owing to many disasters, it seemed a little while ago that this Church could not be relieved of its embarrassments. May the blessing of God rest on those who by their liberality have enabled the Vestry to perfect their title and to devote this Church to the service of God.

On the second Sunday after Easter, April 23d, in Christ Church, Easton, I admitted to the Diaconate, Franklin Bache Adkins. The sermon was preached by his Rector, the Rev. R. Wilson, M.D., and the candidate presented by his preceptor, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D.

I have confirmed the re-election of the Deans of Convocation, and I now re-appoint the Examining Chaplains, as they appear in the last Journal.

Clerical Changes.

The Rev. John A. Thompson, once Rector on Kent Island, but not engaged in active work since the organization of the Diocese, departed this life on the 23d of April.

The Rev. S. S. Hepbron has resigned the charge of St. Paul's and I. U. Parishes and taken letters dismissary to Virginia.

The Rev. W. G. Davenport has resigned the charge of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's, and taken letters dismissary to Tennessee.

The Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., has been received from the Diocese of Maryland and is Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.

The Rev. F. B. Adkins has been added to the Clergy list by ordination, and has been assigned to Missionary duty in Spring Hill, Tyaskin and Wicomico Parishes.

The Rev. William H. Phillips has been received from the Diocese of Albany, and is Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes.

The candidates for Holy Orders are,

Oliver H. Murphy, A. B.,
George Sears Gassner, A. B.,
George W. Lay,
Lewis T. Wattson.

The first two are also candidates for Priest's Orders, and the last two propose to apply therefor after receiving their diplomas, a few days hence.

Confirmations.

Confirmations have been held in twenty-eight parishes, as follows:

St. John's, Caroline County,	6
St. Mary's Whitechapel,	3
North Elk,	15
North Sassafras,	3
Trinity, Cecil County,	6
St. James',	6
Dorchester,	3
Great Choptank,	18
Chester,	8
North Kent,	9
St. Paul's, Kent County,	1
Shrewsbury,	15
Christ Church, Kent Island,	8
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's County,	6
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County,	4
Wye,	5
Coventry,	4
Somerset,	2
Pocomoke,	3
St. Michael's,	18
St. Peter's,	2
Whitemarsh,	7

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Cathedral,	6
All Saints',	8
Salisbury,	14
Spring Hill,	1
All Hallows',	3
Worcester,	5

In all one hundred and eighty-nine.

Summary.

Churches consecrated,	3
Deacon ordained,	1
Candidates for Priest's Orders,	2
Candidates for Holy Orders,	2
Clergy—died, 1; removed, 2; received, 2; whole number, 36	
Confirmations,	189

Chancellor for the Diocese.

During the last year I have been consulted in several instances about the legal tenure of Church property, and the measures necessary to secure religious devises and bequests.

The provisions of the Constitution of the State of Maryland in such matters, the proper interpretation of the Vestry Act and of the Charters held by the Diocese and by corporations therein, the adjustment of our Canon law so as to harmonize with the law of the State, all require professional knowledge. I am satisfied that we need an officer, known in other Dioceses as the Chancellor, on whom may be devolved the responsibility of advice in all matters of law. I suggest the propriety of providing for such an officer by constitutional enactment. I think that in consideration of the confidential relations he must maintain with the Diocesan, that he should be elected by the Convention for a term of years on the nomination of the Bishop. He should have, *ex officio*, a seat in the Diocesan Convention and be a member of the Committee on Canons.

We are fortunate in having among our communicants several members of the bar, eminent for integrity and ability, any one of whom would render valuable service to the Diocese by judicious counsel.

A case now carried into chancery, reminds me of the ascertained need of such an adviser. To ensure the services of the most suitable person, and inasmuch as no remuneration can be offered, the office should be made one of dignity and permanence.

The Needs of the Diocese.

I now approach a subject which, however well-worn, needs to be often renewed, "The needs of the Diocese for which, in the mercy of God, we come to provide."

Now I am sure that every member of the Diocese who has it in his power to make an intelligent comparison, observes with gratitude the steady advance all along the line, since the date of a separate organization. It is not merely in the churches built or rebuilt or restored, the rectories added, the steady increase in the lists of clergy and of communicants. Besides these we recognize life and activity, an increasing disdain of artificial measures for gaining money or men's favor, a warm friendliness among the clergy, with interest in each other's work and pride in each other's well-doing. Very encouraging, also, is the unmistakable and very generally prevalent consideration for men of low estate, the yearning desire to bring them to the Church, not for the help they can render to her, but for the saving help they so much need from her. I believe I may very safely affirm, that the Church year by year is steadily winning the respect and confidence of the community. But to bring our work up to the highest standard, we should frame to ourselves a pure and lofty ideal. The dream-land Church of our Poet-Bishop of Western New York may in some sort be realized, if fascinated with the loveliness of the vision, we seek to detain and fasten some of its pleasing hues and features.

Were I to sketch an ideal rural Diocese, in which our children are to serve, I would first of all set in its apostolic chair a man of apostolic gifts, to whom the clergy should be heartily loyal of love as well as of duty, and the laity should so trust him that, as in the olden days, they should lay some money at his feet to meet the exigencies of needs and distresses, whose sad story is poured daily into his ear. And around that chair I would have a crown of elders. Thank God, I need not look beyond the present to see the ideal largely realized! Well-learned men, heavenly-minded,

diligent in feeding, firm in ruling the flocks committed to them, and gentle among them as a nurse cherisheth her children. And around each such Elder, each such *Bishop*, (for John Wesley did not really detract from the apostolic office, when he affirmed that the Elder, like the apostle, is a Bishop or overseer of souls), around each one, I would set true Deacons, to serve under his supervision, and with them, yoke-fellows, laborers, helpers, servants of the Church, laymen and laywomen. The Parish Church should be the centre of devotion and of work, with its weekly celebration of the Holy Communion and its daily gatherings for prayer; and as offshoots from the Church, nay as buttresses and supports to it, there should be, by the water-side, at the cross-road, in the suburb, places where prayer is wont to be made, served especially by ready helpers, becoming as hands and feet and tongue to the Parish Priest, leaving him to give the best of himself to the duties of oversight and pastoral guidance.

In this ideal Diocese, men should deem it an honor to serve as door-keeper, warden, or vestryman; and the Church business should be managed so as to be a pattern to the secular in method, order and exactness.

Fain would we see the religion of the fireside recognized as a more essential element in the churchly life; every house a lesser church, with its father-priest, its domestic service, its benedictions of God's bounties.

Moreover in the ideal church every child becomes early and progressively a worshipper, a contributor, a personal servant; and parents unite with the Clergy to bring them, in anticipation of the evil, to the Confirmation blessing and to the Holy Table.

That is a wise direction of the Confirmation office in Edward VI's book:

"Forasmuch as Confirmation is ministered to them that be baptized, that by imposition of hands and prayer they may receive strength and defence against all temptations to sin, and the assault of the world and the devil: it is most meet to be ministered, when children come to that age, that partly by the frailty of their own flesh, partly by the assaults of the world and the devil, they begin to be in danger to fall into sundry kinds of sin."

I should weary you if I attempted to complete this ideal. If it be a dream, I am glad to believe that I am not the only dreamer.

All abroad in the Church there are great thinkers who believe that this Church of ours has only to appreciate her mission and her capacities to become a mighty power in the land.

Here at home, are clergymen and some lay-people who indulge lofty hopes of leaving to a future generation a diocese far superior in effectiveness, in moral power, in true saintliness to what it now is.

And how shall we approximate the ideal which is yet in the future?

I pause to impress upon my own heart, and upon yours, the truth so easy to state, so hard to realize, that all Episcopal and Priestly activities and devices, all the labors and gifts of the people, are things inert unless there be the devout recognition of the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Life-Giver, the personal dependence on Him, the illumination which He imparts, the growth in grace, the adorning of our profession, which comes from Him. The quickening and deepening of the religious life in the individual soul, is the essential element in the health and vigor of the Church. But because we must use, in dependence on Him, our own good sense, I venture to comment on some deficiencies which it is in our power to repair. First of all, of our finances.

It is very sad to hear that in some parishes the minister is paid in irregular dribblets, and that current expenses are often in arrears. Nobody knows how or why it is that it is so, and if a balance-sheet is to be made, its material must be derived from private memoranda.

The Diocesan Officers complain, and with justice, that their task is made onerous, vexatious and unsatisfactory by the remissness of a few parishes to meet the very moderate charges necessary to keep the diocesan machinery in motion. It needs only a few careless ones to mar the best-devised plans.

Is there a remedy? My brethren of the Clergy must forgive me if I say that theirs is a very large responsibility in the premises.

I hold that the Parish Priest is the overseer of the parish and all its concerns. I would not have him serve tables, or sit at the receipt of custom; but he must be the overseer of all parish work and duty.

The Vestrymen have their business and private cares. They should be ready to render any necessary service. But the Rector

has this one thing in life to do: The people have a right to expect that he shall do the chief thinking for the parish in all its departments, suggesting plans and methods, securing the best people to administer them, watching over that administration, insisting on settlements; averting those cries and alarms, those half-frantic endeavors to repair negligences become intolerable, which are always disastrous.

It is not a question of sensibility. I have known parishes deplorably negligent and careless until a Rector came, not less modest and sensitive that the best of us may claim to be. He would say: "I am a Steward, and it is required of Stewards that a man be found faithful." Gently and persistently he could urge method, system, accuracy. He would insist that it was an irreligious thing to live in a state of chronic parochial disorder. And the parish would presently re-adjust its methods and respond cheerfully to his counsels.

I have been slow to express a conviction which has been long in my mind. I despair of any considerable improvement in our financial arrangements, unless the Clergy will accept the responsibility of devising and supervising them as a part of their daily cross. I freely grant, however, that the most faithful efforts of the Rector in this behalf may be in vain, if the Vestry refuses to listen to him.

I know of no surer means to take all heart and life out of a good Clergyman than to appoint Vestrymen, some by virtue of family, some by their social position, some for their wealth, who accept the position condescendingly as an ecclesiastical compliment and acknowledge no responsibility therein. To continue in office year by year, men who have not attended one single meeting of the body, is to clog all improvement and to make the Rector utterly helpless.

And next I would speak of the deficiency of the number of our public services. With our present clerical force we are unable to occupy the ground open to us, and inviting our entrance. Every Parish Minister has his Sunday occupied to the utmost; some are laboring every Sunday beyond their strength.

We have not the means of supplying more Priests; what can we do to multiply their helpers?

It has seemed to me that much could be gained if we could restore

the Diaconate proper, *i. e.*, confer orders on sedate, earnest men, not proficient in theology, not aspiring to the oversight, but content to serve under a discreet Presbyter, and not claiming an equal voice with Presbyters in the Church Council. Such persons to maintain themselves in their accustomed avocations.

Three such persons I selected long ago, and urged to offer themselves for the Diaconate. Their modesty was invincible; one only went so far as to become a postulant and presently withdrew.

Then again I have been anxious, upon the recommendation of the Pastor, to license Lay-readers. I do not care to multiply the number of those who would merely read the service occasionally. They should be such as habitually place themselves at the Minister's orders to assist him in any way suitable for a Layman. Such persons might assist the Clergyman, whose voice is overtaxed by three full services on Sunday, by reading, at least, the lessons. They might conduct those services "by the water-side," with the guidance and occasional visits of the Minister. In his absence or weariness they might read a sermon in the Parish Church.

Now the former of these expedients, that of the Diaconate, is comparatively untried among us. I am ready and willing to make the experiment, if the Standing Committee will accept that policy, and if you will look out such men and assist us in persuading them to come to our relief.

The latter expedient has been tested and with good success. The Clergy here present who have come to us from South Carolina, would assure you of the success of lay-reading there.

Why can we not do likewise in this Diocese? Again comes in the answer of sensibilities, the unwillingness to obtrude into sacred things.

I often think on a Sunday of some one of the brethren; sermon and celebration in the morning, ten miles travel, full afternoon service, and ten miles return to a night service and sermon, which must be maintained to keep the flock from scattering.

And I know Laymen of good report, sound sense, religious mind, who could so greatly relieve that intolerable burden. Only their sensibilities forbid. Alas! what is all this sensibility but the egotism of the better sort of people?

How shall we send, if no one will go? Is it safe to trust our self-estimate of depreciation, when those who are responsible for the culture of the vineyard, invite our labor?

I earnestly entreat your co operation in selecting and persuading some fit persons to assist the Clergy in the more thorough cultivation of their fields.

I have said that several of our young men are on their way into the ministry. Some of them need assistance. They must come home, at our expense, for examination, for instance. I have been much perplexed how to meet these demands, and wish that some moderate amount could be entrusted to me for such uses by the faithful.

We are now approaching the hundredth anniversary of the Church in the State of Maryland, and we shall be invited to join with our brethren of the mother Diocese in services memorial of that event.

When our own centenary shall arrive, although our personalities shall have faded out of view, may it be said with truth, that we lived and labored for that future, and in our infancy and weakness laid sure foundations for the builders who should succeed us!

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, that part of the Bishop's Address referring to a Chancellor of the Diocese, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Barber presented a Canon on the election of vestries, which was, on his motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Walker, that part of the Bishop's Address referring to aged and infirm Clergy, was referred to a Special Committee.

The President appointed as such Committee: the Rev. A. R. Walker, the Rev. Robt. Wilson, the Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, Messrs. Geo. R. Goldsborough and Wm. S. Walker.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, the Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions was made the order of the day for to-morrow (Thursday) at 11 A. M.

The Treasurer of the Diocese presented his Report, which was referred to the Committee on Canons. (See Appendix).

The report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund was presented and referred to the Committee on accounts. (See Appendix).

Dr. I. L. Adkins, presented the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund. (See Appendix).

The fund collected at last Convention for printing the Convention Sermon not having been applied as contemplated, by reason of the lamented death of the preacher, the Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D., on motion of Mr. H. E. Bateman, the Secretary was authorized to hand the same to the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

The Convention met for Divine Service at 9 A. M. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Messrs. Hilliard and Brooks.

After Divine Service the President called the Convention to order.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was resolved that the Convention take a recess at 1 P. M., to meet at 4 P. M. for Evening Prayer, to meet again at 8 P. M.

The Rev. F. B. Crozier presented a petition from Miles River Parish for admission to the Convention, which was referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

The President, in the place of Dr. Humphreys, who had retired from the Convention, appointed Mr. Ed. C. Legg on the Committee on New Parishes.

Mr. Ed. C. Legg offered the following Resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the interest due on the arrearages of the annuity of the Bishop's Fund from Christ Church, Kent Island, be abated until such arrearages are paid in full.

The President informed the Convention, in the absence of any official communication from the Diocese of Maryland, that he had received a letter from the Rev. Geo. Leeds, D. D., informing him that this Diocese had been invited to participate with the Diocese of Maryland in a proposed commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the organization of the Diocese of Maryland.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, the communication from the Bishop was referred to a Special Committee.

The President appointed as such Committee the Revs. George F. Beaven, James A. Mitchell and Messrs. Wm. R. Hayward and John S. Wirt.

A telegram from the Secretary of the Maryland Convention was subsequently read, and submitted to this Committee by the Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Walker, from the Special Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address in reference to Clergy Relief, presented the following Report, the Resolutions of which were severally adopted :

Your Committee to whom has been referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which refers to the General and the Diocesan Clergy Relief Funds, beg leave to report : That the laborer is worthy of his hire we all affirm, as a principle founded on justice as well as expedience. Nor will the Laity

permit the Clergy to go beyond them in declaring that the Church should lend practical force to this principle by making due provision for those who serve at her altars. Indeed, it is impossible that any of us should hesitate in this matter, when we remember how emphatic is the teaching of our Church. She speaks to her members through her Priests, and in connection with her most solemn service, when, by means of the offertory sentences, she asks, "Do ye not know that they who minister about holy things like of the sacrifice, and they who wait at the altar, are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel."

None will deny that this principle applies to the provision which should be made for the Minister during his *active* service, so that by its amount and regular payment he may be left free to give the best of his spiritual, mental and bodily powers to the service of the Lord and his Church. Need we ask if this same provision does not also imply some assurance that the Minister shall be cared for, in himself and in those dependent on him, when the time comes for his retirement? We fancy few of the Clergy are disposed to complain of the hardships which fall to their lots while still engaged in the Parochial duties, seeing they, as good soldiers, must expect them and meet them in the spirit of Him whom they serve and follow. But it is asking too much of them, that they should look into the future without natural anxiety—the future in which they shall become worn in spirit, exhausted in energy, and left without support; in which, too, their wives and children are changed before their troubled vision into dependent widows and friendless orphans. We say this is asking too much. Nor will it do for us to seek to put away such unpleasant thoughts by dwelling upon the certain rewards of *faith*, and by hoping that those in whom we are interested will prove bright exceptions to the general rule of hard and cruel experience.

From time to time cases are brought to our attention which fill our hearts with indignation and shame. Our Bishop can tell of things in this connection which could not fail to bring tears from the most crusty and unsympathetic. And at the last General Convention a scene was witnessed which should arouse the attention of every member of the Church to the reality and urgency of this abiding evil: the house of Bishops by special arrangement, and their chosen speakers, meeting the Clerical and Lay Deputies in a common conference on this burning question of making due provision for the aged and infirm Clergy, and for the widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen. When we think of all these things, and when we witness the strange, incomprehensible and cruel indifference of the great mass of our members, we are ready to ask with all seriousness, "Have we the spirit of the Apostles, and the mind of Him who commissioned the Apostles in this Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church?"

But enough. Your Committee would suggest the following resolutions, to be passed by the Convention if deemed advisable.

Resolved, That we respectfully and gratefully extend to our Bishop our earnest sympathy in his loving, patient and persistent efforts in behalf of the Clergy Relief Fund of the Church at large, and also our Diocesan Fund of the same character.

Resolved, That we urge upon all in the Church the duty of giving gladly and freely of their prayerful consideration, kindly sympathy and active support to these objects.

Resolved, That it is recommended to our members that they should, in keeping with the action of the General Convention, appropriate one-tenth the communion alms toward the General Clergy Relief Fund—the ratio of 10 per cent.

Resolved, That we of the Clergy will seek to give point and interest to our Whit-Sunday efforts, in behalf of our Diocesan Fund, by adding to our appeals such personal items as we may be able to gather.

ALBERT R. WALKER,
J. H. B. BROOKS,
R. WILSON,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
W. S. WALKER.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, Registrar of the Diocese, presented the following Report :

The Registrar of the Diocese begs leave respectfully to present his Annual Report :

The small appropriation voted to him two years ago is not yet quite expended in the binding of Journals and pamphlets of interest. In this reference a full statement will be rendered, however, in the next report.

One suggestion is earnestly submitted to the Clerical brethren of this body. There are continually recurring calls upon the Secretary and Registrar for the earlier Journals of the Diocese, and already great difficulty is encountered in procuring copies, especially of the Journals for the first four or five years.

It is respectfully requested that each Rector will interest himself *actively* in collecting some of the many Journals scattered among the families of his Parish, and carefully holding them subject to the call of the Registrar, otherwise it will be impossible, a few years hence, to make up a full set of these invaluable records.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, presented the following Canon, which was adopted :

Canon of the Election of Vestries.

In every Parish of this Diocese a Vestry shall be elected on Easter Monday, as prescribed in section second of the Vestry Act of 1798. But if Easter Monday elapse without any election, then the said election may be held on a subsequent day, notice thereof being given by the Rector (if any) in Church on two succeeding Sundays, or, if there be no Rector, by any two Vestrymen, by writing set up at the door of the Church ten days before the day of meeting. At this meeting the Rector shall preside, or in his absence a Warden, or if there be no Wardens present a Vestryman, in the order of seniority by length of service.

The Register of the Parish shall present a list of the Parishioners who were duly enrolled one month previous to the Easter meeting, being male citizens of the State, over twenty-one years of age, who shall have paid within the year two dollars to the Parish, or such sum, not exceeding two dollars, as the Vestry may have appointed.

The Vestrymen, or a majority of those who shall attend, shall judge of the election of Vestrymen and of the qualifications of voters, and of the qualification of Parishioners proposed to be elected Vestrymen.

Before the election of a new Vestry the Rector and Vestry shall present to the Parishioners a report of their proceedings. In this report they shall mention how many meetings have been held, together with the attendance at each meeting, and such statement of the proceedings thereat as they may deem useful to the congregation. If any Vestryman has, during the year, failed to attend some one meeting of the Vestry, that fact shall be included in the report of the Vestry.

The Parishioners shall then proceed to put out, by a majority of votes, four of the eight Vestrymen whom they please, and shall immediately thereafter elect, by ballot, four Vestrymen from among the persons qualified to vote, including those whom they may have voted out.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention to cause copies of this Canon to be printed on a card, and to mail a copy thereof to each Rector during the week before Easter Sunday of each year.

Every person chosen a Vestryman shall, before he acts as such, make and subscribe a declaration of his belief in the Christian Religion, and he shall also take and subscribe the following oath of office, viz :

"I, A. B., do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of Vestryman of Parish, in County, without prejudice, favor or affection, according to the best of my skill and knowledge," which oath and declaration any Justice of the Peace, or any Vestryman present, may administer and take. Immediately after the election the Vestry shall proceed to choose from among the persons qualified to vote two sober, discreet

and pious persons, to be Church Wardens for the ensuing year, and before they act as such they shall take and subscribe the declaration and oath as heretofore presented for Vestrymen.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on a Map of the Diocese, presented the following Report, and the Committee was discharged:

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have corresponded with Rev. Mr. Whipple in reference to a map of the Diocese. They find that the cost of such a map as that presented—of the Diocese of New Jersey—would cost about \$100.00, but they can see no utility in such a map to warrant the expense to the Diocese. To lay down the parochial boundaries would be a very difficult task, greatly enhancing the cost, and unless done with absolute accuracy, entailing much trouble and confusion. They respectfully recommend that no action be taken in the premises, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully,

R. WILSON,
JAMES A. MITCHELL,
GEORGE E. HADDAWAY,
Committee.

The Rev. S. C. Roberts, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented the following report, whereupon the Resolution of the Committee was adopted:

The Committee on Admission of New Parishes having placed before it a petition from the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestry of Miles River Parish, the metes and bounds of which were accepted by the last Convention, to be received into union with the Convention by the name and style of Miles River Parish, Talbot County, beg leave to recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That Miles River Parish be received into union with this Convention.

S. C. ROBERTS,
F. W. HILLIARD,
EDWARD C. LEGG,

The time for the order of the day having arrived, the Rev. Dr. Barber presented the following Report:

The Board of Diocesan Missions beg leave to proffer their annual report of amounts received and appropriated during the last twelve months, and the liabilities incurred for the year upon which we now enter.

By the report of the Treasurer of the Board, which we present herewith, it will appear that the balance brought over from the previous year ~~\$239.00~~, add the sums since received from pledges and otherwise, \$1,350.00 and the amount reaches \$1,609.63, which your Board have held at their disposal for the year's appropriations.

An unexpended balance is at this date in the Treasurer's hands, which will help to meet the quarter payments of July 1, \$223.81.

This statement, at least, shows that the offerings have been more liberal than during the previous year.

But the Board cannot tender their congratulations, in view of the small balance in hand, for this is solely due to the fact that three of the Mission Parishes have been vacant during a great part of the year. The contributions have been less, in fact, by \$200 than the amount required by the actual expenditures of the Board.

The bare announcement of this fact must surely suffice to alarm and arouse our zeal. There is no comment needed. Every brother must admit the urgent appeal thus conveyed.

We notify the Convention, in whose name and behalf these responsibilities have been assumed, that but one vacancy now exists in the Mission Station of the Diocese. And the one vacant Parish, that of Church Hill, we are hopeful will soon be occupied.

It becomes imperative, then, that this Convention take such action as will provide, at the least, \$1,850 for the year before us, otherwise a deficiency of several hundred dollars will appear in the next report of our Treasurer.

The expediency of suspending our Mission work—now so prosperous and productive—quickly will not be entertained for a moment.

A more eloquent need only urge, in support of the measure we propose, that our expenditures for which this Convention provides can possibly exceed a person's claim the call for support of our weak, struggling, but ever-growing Missions. It is obvious that the very life of the Diocese depends upon this fact, dear brethren! Other measures may be suggested and moved by expediency; other legislation may pertain to the general advancement of our Diocese in its precious work for the salvation of souls. But the question of adequate provision for the Missions of the Diocese is our very existence as a branch of God's Holy Church. If we have nothing else beyond our Parish limits, we *must*, in full accordance with our duty, present our offerings for this cause.

As to the mode of supplying regular contributions it only needs that each congregation be apprised of quarterly collections by the envelopes. Adopt this simple, effective method, which has the formal sanction of the Convention, and has been explained and enforced by the Bishop and

this Board. We ask every Clergyman newly received into the Diocese to inform himself at once regarding the envelope system, and follow it strictly.

Further, we ask that every Parish may be canvassed anew, and the subscription list tendered to each Parishioner, as removals and new accessions are constantly occurring. Let every Parishioner's name appear upon the list of quarterly contributors.

In conclusion, the Committee would suggest that there is, in their judgment, but one sure, efficient method by which these collections may be assured, viz: the same method by which the Convention Fund is sustained.

That this plan is the most simple and sure all must admit. It is of easy demonstration, also, that the plan is reasonable and practicable.

There are in this Diocese 2,545 communicants, as enumerated a year ago. If each of these full members of the Church can be persuaded to contribute annually the small amount of 80 cents, we shall have \$2,036 at the disposal of the Mission Board for the year.

Observe that 7 cents per month, less than 2 cents per week, from each communicant will furnish the entire amount called for. But let it be noted, also, that many worshippers who are not communicants cheerfully bring their gifts for this object.

Your Board, therefore, venture to ask that the amount requisite for the proper support of the Diocesan Missions be assigned to the different Parishes, according to the number of communicants and the financial resources of each, under a careful estimate.

We present the following Resolutions for the consideration of our brethren:

Resolved, That this Convention assures the Board of Diocesan Missions of their full and hearty concurrence in the collection of the amount required by the present appropriations,

Resolved, further, That the Board are requested to prepare a list of Parishes for the Journal, placing opposite to each the amount called for under the estimate just named; and that the Secretary be requested to place such list on the same page with the assessment for Convention Fund.

The first Resolution of the Board was adopted.

The second Resolution being under consideration, it was, on motion, recommitted.

The hour having arrived—12 M.—for the election of Standing Committees and other officers, the Convention proceeded to elect a Standing Committee.

The President appointed as tellers, the Rev. Mr. Crozier and Mr. Spilman.

The Twelfth Annual Report of the Home of the Friendless Children on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and the Report of the Treasurer of the same, were presented. (See Appendix.)

The officers nominated in the Report were, on motion, elected for the ensuing year.

The tellers having appeared, announced as elected as members of the Standing Committee :

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. Erastus F. Dashield, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., the Rev. James A. Mitchell.

Mr. E. H. Brown moved a reconsideration of the Resolution to amend the Report of the Committee on the Rights of Clergymen to Seats in this Convention, so as to include the name of the Rev. F. B. Adkins, which motion prevailed. Whereupon the Report of the Committee was so amended, and the Rev. F. B. Adkins was declared to be entitled to a seat in this Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Wilson, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following Report :

The Committee on State of the Church beg leave to report :

We have received and examined thirty-five Clerical Reports, the largest number, we believe, ever laid before this Committee, a fact which shows a gratifying increase of interest and accuracy on the part of the Clergy as to this important particular. We note with pleasure an excess over last year of seventy baptisms and twenty-nine confirmations, while there seems to be an increase of more than one hundred in the number of communicants reported. We are well aware that these statistics, being seldom absolutely accurate, cannot give us a correct view of the numerical strength of the Diocese, but the increase in the reported fruits of pastoral work show, in any event, an increase of care in the preparation of the Reports. A careful revision of the parochial lists is much to be desired, and we would strongly commend it to the attention of the Clergy.

We regret to observe that the Parishes reported as delinquent in the payment of their Rectors' salary are this year ten, while last year there were but seven. We note with great satisfaction, however, that two Parishes are

reported in excess in this vital particular. This is a point to which we most earnestly desire to direct the attention, not only of the Convention, but of the individual Vestrymen throughout the Diocese, into whose hands the Journal of the Convention shall fall. We would ask the Parochial Clergy to allow no false delicacy to prevent their faithfully and accurately reporting all such deficiencies, being deeply convinced that reform in this essential matter is of the utmost importance to the efficiency of their Parochial work. We feel absolutely sure that the whole trouble lies in the negligence, in the parochial administration, of that financial management which is applied successfully to all other matters of business. We are sure that in no case does it arise from pecuniary inability or unwillingness to give the laborer his hire. If the Vestries and their financial officers will but give earnest and faithful attention to this matter there will be no more deficiencies reported, and wherever desirable the stipends can be increased without difficulty. We note with great satisfaction an apparent increase in the amount contributed to the Missions of the Diocese. Let the Parochial Clergy be well cared for and amply sustained, and provision made for the liberal support of the Missionaries laboring to build up our waste places, and the state of the Church in this Diocese will soon be such as to produce the most grateful satisfaction to Diocesan and Clergy and people.

ROBERT WILSON,
J. H. B. BROOKS,
ENOCH K. MILLER,
D. M. HENRY, JR.,
W. S. CRAFT.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer be, and is hereby, instructed to pay to the Sexton of this Church ten dollars, and to the organ blower five dollars.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met at 4 o'clock.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Roberts and Schouler.

The President called the Convention to order.

The President introduced the Rev. Dr. Leeds, of the Diocese of Maryland, Chairman of the Committee on the proposed Centennial observance, who addressed the Convention on that subject.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to send to the Rector of each Parish, in the same envelope with the notice of the meeting of the next Convention, two copies of a blank certificate of election of delegates to the Convention, with the request that one of these, when filled up, be sent to him one week before the time of the meeting, the other to be held by the delegate attending.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the next meeting of this Convention be held in Emanuel Church, Chestertown.

The election of officers being in order, on motion, the Secretary was authorized to cast the ballot of the Convention for the following officers:

Treasurer of the Convention.—Thomas Hughlett.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.—I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Chas. Lowndes and Wm. S. Walker.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex-officio*; Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Registrar.—The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.—The Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. W. Y. Beaven.

The Bishop nominated the following persons as Trustees of Trinity Cathedral, who were confirmed by the Convention:

H. E. Bateman, Jas. P. Dawson, John W. Cheezum, Thomas K. Robson, J. F. Bateman and Paul Winchester.

The Committee on the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund presented the following Report, the several Resolutions of which were adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund have given it their careful consideration, and are glad to report that they find the fund in a much more satisfactory condition than last year; for whereas then there was a deficiency of more than three hundred dollars, there is a balance in hand this year of nearly six hundred, and though a part of this comes from arrears of interest, there is, nevertheless, a substantial improvement in the fund, which only needs a united effort on the part of delinquent Parishes to meet their assessments, including all arrearages, to make it permanent. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following Resolutions:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Fund be directed to address a circular to the delinquent Parishes stating the amount of their indebtedness, and requesting payment not later than the first of September.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to publish annually in the Journal the amount due for each year, together with arrearage.

Resolved, That the extra assessment of five hundred dollars be continued.

E. J. STEARNS,
H. E. BATEMAN,
WM. R. HAYWARD.

Mr. E. H. Brown, in behalf of the Committee on Canons, reported the following proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the Diocese, which Amendment was adopted, and referred to the next Annual Convention for final action:

Resolved, That the Constitution of this Convention be amended, by adding thereto the following Article, to be numbered XII, and that the present Article XII be numbered as Article XIII:

At the present Convention and that held every third year thereafter, the Bishop, by and with the advice and consent of the respective Conventions,

shall appoint some lawyer, a resident of this Diocese and a communicant of this Church, to be known as "The Chancellor of the Diocese," who shall *ex-officio* be entitled to a seat in the Conventions of the Diocese, and be a member of the Committee on Canons; and it shall be his duty to give his opinion and counsel to the Bishop or said Conventions on any legal matter or subject depending before them or either of them, or relating to the rights or interest of the Church in this Diocese; and in case of said office being vacated by death, resignation or change of residence, the Bishop, by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, shall appoint thereto a person qualified as aforesaid, who shall hold the same until the next Annual Convention, when a successor shall be appointed as aforesaid, whose tenure of office shall be as herein before provided; and any Convention, by a two-thirds vote thereof, shall have the right to declare said office vacant, and thereupon the same shall be filled as though said term had expired, and for a like tenure as aforesaid.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, from the Committee on Parochial Assessments, presented the following report: (See Appendix.)

The Rev. G. F. Beaven, from the Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Diocese of Maryland, presented the following report. The resolution proposed by the Committee was thereupon adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred the Communication from the Diocese of Maryland inviting the Diocese of Easton to unite with her in celebrating the Centenary of the Organization of the Diocese, beg to report as follows:

WHEREAS, The recent Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, by resolution, determined to celebrate the Centennial of the Organization of the Diocese, and at the same time extended to the Diocese of Easton, its daughter, a cordial invitation to unite with her in this service of loving commemoration; therefore,

Resolved, That this Convention, heartily sympathizing with the Mother Diocese in everything pertaining to her past history and future prosperity, hereby authorizes and requests its President to appoint a committee of three Clergyman and three Laymen to co-operate with the committee on the part of the Diocese of Maryland appointed to arrange for the proposed Centennial Celebration.

GEO. F. BEAVEN,
R. C. MACKALL,
JAMES A. MITCHELL.

Mr. R. C. Hopkins, from the Committee on Accounts, presented the following report :

The Committee on Accounts beg leave to report that they have examined the Reports submitted, and find that the Treasurer of the Convention had in hand when last report was rendered \$207.72, and since that time has received \$588.50, making a total of \$796.22.

The amount disbursed by him as per vouchers was \$497.77, leaving a balance in the hands of said Treasurer of \$298.45.

The Treasurer also reports the following delinquents :

I. U. Parish.....	\$10.00
North Kent Parish.....	20.00
Christ Church, Kent Island, (4 years).....	60.00
Making total delinquencies of.....	<u>\$90.00</u>

The report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund shows that he has received from all sources since last report, including \$96.00, dividend on Masonic Hall Association Stock, \$368.80, which with balance on hand at time of last year's report, makes a total in cash in his hands May 31, 1882, of \$612.97. This, with the amount heretofore invested, makes sum total of this Fund to date of report \$1812.97.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. HOPKINS,

E. S. JOHNSON,

JNO. W. CHEEZUM.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Board of Diocesan Missions, reported back the resolution committed to them, and moved that it be laid on the table.

On motion, the roll of the Parishes was called and pledges were made by the respective Parishes, as follows :

St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	\$20 00
St. Augustine.....	10 00
North Elk	50 00
Trinity.....	60 00
St. James' Church.....	50 00
Dorchester Parish.....	25 00
Great Choptank.....	140 00
Vienna Parish	5 00

Chester Parish.....	
St. Paul's, Kent.....	
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	1
Somerset Parish.....	
Wicomico Parish.....	
Pocomoke Parish.....	
St. Michael's Parish.....	
St. Peter's Parish.....	1
Whitemarsh.....	
Trinity Cathedral.....	
All Saints'.....	
Miles River Parish.....	
Salisbury Parish.....	
Spring Hill.....	
Worcester Parish.....	

The Convention then adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

The President announced as the Committee on the Mary Celebration the Rev. Dr. Barton, the Rev. Mr. Wilson, the Mr. Roberts, Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., G. R. Goldsboro W. S. Walker.

Mr. R. C. Mackall appeared and took his seat in the place of Mr. John S. Wirt, who had retired from the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Convention are tendered to the Rector, Vestry and Parishioners of St. James' Church for their thoughtful and admirable arrangements for the sessions of this Body.

Resolved, That the warm welcome and generous hospitality of the members of Port Deposit on this occasion are gratefully appreciated and acknowledged.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to have printed 750 copies of the Journal.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, it was

Resolved, That the several Rectors and Missionaries of the Diocese be, and are hereby urged to present to their people the claims of the Diocese through the assessments *en masse*, and urge the payment of the whole.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Wilson, it was

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that the Bishop has authority to draw at his discretion upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for the purpose of assisting needy candidates for Holy Orders.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Board of Missions be requested to communicate with the Parishes not represented in this Convention at the time of receiving missionary pledges, with a view of obtaining from them pledges for Diocesan Missions for the ensuing year.

At the suggestion of the Bishop, the business of the Convention was suspended for a season, and after suitable devotions, missionary addresses were delivered by the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, the Rev. Mr. Wilson, the Rev. Dr. Barber, the Rev. Dr. Carmichael and the Bishop.

On the resumption of business, the minutes were read and approved, and after prayer and benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex-officio.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Wm. T. Downs and Alemby Morgan, Wardens.

Dr. Thomas Hackett, J. B. Bishop, J. M. Wooters, Dr. P. S. Reynolds, Wm. C. Satterfield, Chas. R. Wooters, J. P. Manlove, Esma Lowe, Vestrymen.

Families 33; Souls 152; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 20--21; Confirmed 6; Marriages 5; Burials 8; Communicants, added 5; died 1; removed 3; present number 46; actually communicating 44; Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 50.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4.00; Convention Fund \$5.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$1.00; Diocesan Missions \$6.43; Home for Friendless Children \$3.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$234.23; Current Expenses \$53.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,500; Church of the Holy Trinity, Sittings 300, value \$3,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Sittings 150, value \$3,000; 5 acres of land, assessed at \$400.

A movement has recently been made toward securing by subscription a salary for the Rector, and the congregation of St. Paul's have so far pledged themselves to the amount of \$264. It is expected that this sum will be increased by additional subscriptions from this congregation, bringing it up to \$300.

The congregation at Greensborough have as yet done nothing in the way of subscription for the Rector's support.

A Guild has been formed out of the congregation of St. Paul's Chapel, with a membership numbering 24, which has been doing a good work for now nearly a year. The members manifest a lively interest in the success of their organization.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

George M. Russum and George W. Richardson, Wardens.

Charles Stevens, P. W. Downes, R. G. Stewart, J. W. Bryant, W. G. Horsey,
G. W. Richardson, G. M. Russum, C. W. Byrne, Vestrymen.

Families 20; Souls 100; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 5=6; Confirmed 3;
Marriages 1; Burials 5; Communicants, added 3; removed 1; present
number 24; actually communicating 24; Sunday School Teachers 8; Schol-
ars 28.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Clergy Relief \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$5.00; Convention Fund \$4.00;
Diocesan Clergy Relief \$2.16; Diocesan Missions \$27.58; Home for Friend-
less Children, a box and a barrel of provisions.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, promised \$300, paid \$300; Current
Expenses \$48.91; Improvements and Repairs \$6.76; S. S. Offerings \$6.44;
Offerings at the Services in the School House \$13.59.

Church Property.—Parish Church, sittings 100, value \$2,400; Insured
for \$1,600.

The growth of the parish is healthy. Regular services have been held in
Denton, and at the Boonsboro' school house. There are not many ripe for
confirmation as yet. My parishioners have been exceedingly kind and
generous in their donations to me and my family. The Guild has been
very active and energetic. The ladies have realized from their work, with
their own fingers, and from monthly dues, \$21.29. This has been raised for
painting the church. Most beautiful silk book markers have also been
presented.

SAMUEL D. HALL, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.

Robert Baker and Wm. T. Price, Wardens.

Joseph H. Steele, John H. Blaine, Geo. Kibler, Byron Bouchelle, G. O.
Massey, Benjamin Hauser, Robert Baker, Wm. T. Price, Vestrymen.

Families 10; Souls, about 40; Confirmed 2; Burials 3; Communicants,
added 2; present number 12; Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 12.

Contributions—For Parochial Uses.—Current Expenses \$24.90; To
Church Building Fund \$110; Church Building \$23.95.

Church Property.—St. Augustine Church, Sittings 100, value \$500.

Services have been held in Chesapeake City with considerable frequency during the past twelve months. A few services have also been held in St. Augustine Church. At Easter the parish organization was revived, a vestry elected, and the undersigned assumed charge of the parish as its Rector. A considerable sum has been obtained within and without the parish for the erection of a church edifice, which, it is expected, will be built this season, and be ready for occupancy by November next. It is hoped that a beginning will be made shortly.

WILLIAM SCHOULER, *Rector* -

St. Mary Anne's or North Elk Parish.

Samuel L. Chamberlaine and Samuel W. Day, Wardens.

Henry S. Coudon, George P. Whitaker, John Mauldie, Samuel L. Chamberlaine, Joseph Coudon, William Simcoe, Samuel W. Day, John S. Simcoe, Vestrymen.

Families 68; Souls 248; Baptisms, Adult 10; Infant 39--49; Confirmed 13; Marriages 7; Burials 22; Communicants, added 8; died 3; removed 4; present number 97; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 75; Parish School Teachers 1; Scholars 20.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$4.00; Foreign \$4.00; Indian \$5.00; Jewish Mission \$4.45.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$32.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$8.89; Diocesan Missions \$58.73; Home for Friendless Children \$9.03.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700, amount paid \$700; Current Expenses \$140.12; Improvements and Repairs \$179.55; Communion Alms \$50.00; for all other purposes \$103.34.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$5,000; Insured for \$2,000; Sexton's house \$500; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250, value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Mark's Chapel,ittings 100, value \$1,800; St. John's Chapel,ittings 75, value \$800; 18 acres of land, assessed at \$3,500.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector*.

North Sassafras Parish.

J. C. Crookshank and D. P. Davis, Wardens.

William Knight, S. E. Wills, George Biddle, D. P. Davis, William Ward, Henry Black, T. C. Crookshank, John C. Crookshank, Vestrymen.

Families 20; Souls 100; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 25--26; Confirmed 3; Marriages 7; Burials 15; Communicants, added 6; removed 1; present number 52; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 65.

Contributions.—For the Church at large.—Foreign Missions \$10.00; Society for Promoting Christianity among the Jews \$15.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$66.40; Convention Fund \$50.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$19.00; Diocesan Missions \$50.00; Home for Friendless Children \$38.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000, amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$244.50; Improvements and Repairs \$640.82; Communion Alms \$22.10; Church in Chesapeake City \$65.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500; St. Stephen's Church,ittings 200, value \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,ittings 175, value \$2,800; 300 acres of land, assessed at \$15,000.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

W. W. Henderson and John S. Wirt, Wardens.

R. G. Reese, R. C. Mackall, M. D., H. P. Leslie, John Partridge, G. W. Cruikshank, Alfred Wetherill, L. T. Roberts, W. W. Henderson, Vestrymen.

Families 47; Souls 220; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 7—9; Confirmed 4; Marriages 4; Burials 6; Communicants, added 7; died 2; removed 17; present number 76; Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 68.

Contributions.—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$31.67; Clergy Relief \$8.41; General Church Building Fund \$1.95.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$37.35; Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$8.00; Diocesan Missions \$63.04; Home for Friendless Children \$27.34.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$610, amount paid \$610; Current Expenses \$222.87; Improvements and Repairs \$25.20; Communion Alms \$48.63; Sunday School offering \$18.55; for Sunday School \$22.45; for all other purposes \$65.03.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$3,000; Insured for \$3,000; Trinity Church,ittings 200, value \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Invested Fund \$326.00.

A considerable sum has been subscribed in the parish towards the building of a church in Chesapeake City, but it has not been found necessary as yet to call for the payment of subscriptions. The Rector has held service on alternate Sundays at Baldwin's Chapel, as before, and feels encouraged to continue.

WILLIAM SCHOULER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

W. W. Hopkins and R. E. McClenahan (Treasurer), Wardens.

Jas. M. Touchstone (Secretary), Henry L. Physick, W. W. Davis, W. W. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan, R. C. Hopkins, John Morhlein, E. John Rinehart, Vestrymen.

Families 30; Souls 115; Baptisms, Infant 5; Confirmed 6; Marriages 1; Burials 5; Communicants, added 2; died 2; removed 7; present number 43; actually communicating 36; Sunday School Teachers 11; Scholars 111.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10.00; Convention Fund \$12.50; Diocesan Missions \$50.00; one child clothed by a lady of this congregation of the "Home."

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's, amount promised \$350, amount paid \$350; Current Expenses \$229.35; Improvements and Repairs \$200; Communion Alms \$42.68; collected and expended for purchase of lot and liquidation of all debts on the church \$2,119.87; Sunday School Offerings \$74.86; Donation \$75.00.

Church Property.—St. James' Church,ittings 200, value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000.

I adopted my predecessor's figures in the last report, as I had just entered the parish. I have never found about here but 43 communicants, and with two exceptions these have communicated within the year. 36 come to the "most comfortable sacrament" quite regularly. The improvement in this particular has been very marked.

JAMES CARMICHAEL, D. D., *Rector.*

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Capt. John E. Graham and Robert L. Spilman, Wardens.

Wm. W. Mace, Samuel M. Travers, T. K. Carroll, J. H. Edmondson, John M. Willis, Robert L. Spilman, Thomas W. Stapleforte, H. S. Carroll, Vestrymen.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infant 8; Confirmed 3; Marriages 1; Burials 3; Communicants, added 4; present number 31; actually communicating 28; Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 27.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$1.18; Foreign \$3.65; Clergy Relief \$1.35; Jews \$1.10; New York Bible and Prayer Book Society \$1.25.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$8.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$3.53; Diocesan Missions \$23.25; Home for Friendless Children \$10.88.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300, amount paid \$132.07; Current Expenses \$45.58; Improvements and Repairs \$69.25; for all other purposes \$20.99.

Church Property.—Trinity and Grace Churches,ittings 360, value \$3,500; Insured for (Grace Church) \$3,000; Invested Fund \$150.

The attendance at both churches is still encouraging. There is some interest in the Sunday School at Trinity Church. This venerable building has been partly repaired, and it is hoped that before long it will be fully so. Besides what is reported above, the sum of \$74.00 has been given by friends elsewhere towards this object. The children of the Sunday School have contributed quite liberally to several of the objects above mentioned. The Rector acknowledges with gratitude and pleasure the many kindnesses extended to himself and family by friends at home and abroad.

REV. WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector.*

East New Market Parish.

Dr. James S. Jacobs and S. J. Helsby, Wardens.

T. J. Hicks, J. H. Wright, Dr. J. H. Thomas, J. W. Andrews, T. B. Sherman, E. S. Johnson, W. Kennedy, T. Leckey, Vestrymen.

Families 19; Souls 97; Communicants 40; Sunday School Teachers 5; Scholars 40.

Contributions—For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200; Current Expenses \$20.00; Communion Alms \$1.00.

This parish has been without a Rector for some time. Present incumbent took charge April 15, 1882.

WM. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

Great Choptank Parish.

Wm. R. Hayward and Daniel M. Henry, Wardens.

Alex. H. Bayly, Daniel M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Thos. B. Steele, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Edward W. LeCompte, Edwin Dashiell, George W. Mundy, Vestrymen.

Families 90; Souls 500; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 24=25; Confirmed 18; Marriages 7; Burials 23; Communicants, added 22; died 6; removed 14; present number 190; Sunday School Teachers 14; Scholars 121.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$93.02; Mission to the Jews \$4.11.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$25.00; Convention Fund \$30.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$20.10; Diocesan Missions \$150; Home for Friendless Children \$55.88.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$260.86; Improvements and Repairs \$150; Communion Alms \$175.50; expended in erecting St. James' Chapel, Maple Dam Bridge—of which \$500 were contributed by Rev. Dr. McKenney \$1,000; for all other purposes \$230.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,300; Insured for \$1,600; Christ Church, Sittings 350, value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. John's Chapel, Sittings 130, value \$900; Insured for \$800; St. James' Chapel, Sittings 120, value \$1,000; Insured for \$700.

In this report the amount of contributions named as for "General Missions" is inclusive, of course, of the several departments of the Domestic Board and the Foreign Field; as we have introduced, very successfully, the method of quarterly payments by each parishioner, recommended at the last General Convention.

The little "venture of Faith" at Maple Dam Bridge has been singularly blessed of God in the erection of a neat, attractive chapel, and the encouragement at this mission is now marked and gratifying. The assistant Minister has been helpful, as in former years, and his aid is gratefully appreciated by the Rector and parishioners.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Assistant Minister.*

Vienna Parish.

W. S. Craft and James A. Higgins, Wardens.

James M. Robertson, Dr. Eugene Hodson, John W. T. Webb, Noah J. Kennerly, Thomas Higgins, E. D. Murdaugh, Vestrymen.

Families 15; Souls 48; Communicants 18; Sunday School Teachers 2; Scholars 15

Contributions—For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$100.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church.

This parish has been without a Rector for some time. Present incumbent commenced work April 15, 1882.

WM. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

Geo. B. Westcott, J. A. Wickes, W. H. Meeteer, W. N. E. Wickes, W. S. Walker, G. W. T. Perkins, Jas. A. Pearce, Vestrymen.

Families 29; Souls 115; Baptisms, Infant 11; Confirmed 9; Marriages 5; Burials 11; Communicants, added 15; died 1; removed 5; present number 79; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 66.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$66.60; Domestic \$3.31; Foreign \$3.00; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$18.29.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$76.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$15.51; Diocesan Missions \$101.34; Home for Friendless Children \$22.06.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1.000; amount paid \$633.25; Current Expenses \$151.03; Improvements and Repairs \$176.14; Communion Alms \$56.32.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1.500; Emanuel Church,ittings 281, value \$6,000; Chapel,ittings 60, value \$500; Invested Fund \$1.000.

Since the last Convention the Parish Church has been remodeled and thoroughly repaired, and we held service in it on last Christmas morning, the first time since its completion. It was consecrated to the service of Almighty God by the Bishop, on the 8th day of last February. It is now comfortable, convenient and thoroughly decent, all of which qualities the former edifice sadly lacked.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

D. C. Blackiston and L. M. Bean, Wardens.

D. C. Blackiston, Wm. Cacy, Stephen Boyer, Samuel Cacy, C. S. Hurlock, J. J. Spear, C. H. B. Massey, L. E. Bean, Vestrymen.

Families 35; Souls 200; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 2—3; Confirmed 11; Marriages 1; Burials 2; Communicants, added 11; removed 2; present number 60; Sunday School Teachers 6; Scholars 60.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Missions \$12.76.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500, amount paid \$635; for all other purposes \$240.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$4,000; St. Clement's Church,ittings 250; Of the Holy Cross Chapel, value \$2,000.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

George A. Jessop and Thos. W. Ringgold, Wardens.

Messrs. Thompson, Rankin, Hulme, Schwearer, Constable, Wheatly, Razin, Ringgold, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infant 6; Marriages 3; Burials 6; Communicants, *present* number 62.

Contributions—For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount *promised* \$600; Current Expenses \$86.00.

Church Property.—Rector's, value \$3,000; Insured for \$1,875; *one* Church, Sittings 250, value \$4,000; Insured for \$2,025; 50 acres of land—

The undersigned took charge on the first Sunday in May, 1882.

HENRY WALL, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

John C. Sutton and G. W. Price, Wardens.

J. W. Hurtt, N. W. Comegys, J. Medford Armstrong, D. I. Nowland, Jno. R. Gill, Henry Page, G. W. Jacobi, Jno. Ireland, Vestrymen.

Families 70; Souls 270; Baptisms, Infant 27; Confirmed 15; Marriages 8; Burials 4; Communicants, added 13; died 1; removed 2; *present* number 112; actually communicating 100.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20.00; Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Missions \$70.00; Home for Friendless Children \$25.00; besides clothing one child and furnishing Box of Supplies.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$760; Current Expenses \$147; Improvements and Repairs \$438; Communion Alms \$42.00; Specially appropriated \$30.00; In hand for remodeling St. Andrew's \$450; for all other purposes, including Michigan Sufferers \$10.00—\$56.00.

Church Property.—Rector's, value \$1,952; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Parish Church, Sittings 200, value \$3,253.50; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel, Sittings 150, value \$1,600; Insured for \$1,200; 10 acres of land, estimated value \$1,000.

This report to the Convention closes my official connection with Shrewsbury Parish. After six years of ministerial duty here and forty-eight years of similar labors in the Church, mostly in the Dioceses of Easton and Maryland, I am compelled, in God's wise Providence, by the failure of my health and the infirmities of age, to retire from the public official duties of the Ministry.

The record of my pastoral work in this Parish is one of continued and unabated prosperity, for which both minister and people desire to make public and grateful acknowledgment. "God hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." Never, surely, minister and people lived and worked together more happily. The parting now is full of love and kindness. My services will still be rendered occasionally until the appointment of a new Rector.

JNO. MARTIN, *Rector.*

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wm. P. Tanner and Wm. P. Thompson, Wardens.

Ed. C. Legg, Charles E. Tolson, Wm. B. Goodhand, Wm. P. Tanner, T. B. Eareckson, John H. Price, E. S. Skinner, Wm. P. Thompson, Vestrymen.

Families 12; Souls 100; Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmed 8; Burials 5; Communicants, added 8; present number 28; Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 80.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$100.00; Convention Fund \$15.00;

Diocesan Missions \$3.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800, amount paid, in arrears; Current Expenses \$75.00; Improvements and Repairs \$90.00; Communion Alms \$8.00; Chandeliers for Church \$35.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,800; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church,ittings 150, value \$2,500.

The new Church building will be ready for consecration during the summer and autumn. The farms held in trust by the Vestry of the Parish are increasing in value, and will in course of time be remunerative.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Parish.

Wm. Gould and W. E. B. Faithful, Wardens.

James Brown, Joseph E. George, A. J. Gadd, Wm. H. Newnam, J. W. Appleford, Dr. G. W. Parvis, Wm. D. Gould and E. S. Valliant, Vestrymen.

Families 44; Souls 172; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 13—14; Confirmed Marriages 1; Burials 5; Communicants, added 6; removed 1; present number 84.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$400, amount paid \$300, part of year; Current Expenses \$77.96; Improvements \$62.54.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,125; Insured for \$750; Luke's Church,ittings 250, value \$5,850; Insured for \$3,900; St. Andrew's Chapel,ittings 125, value \$2,100; Insured for \$1,400.

St. Paul's Parish.

James T. Earle and Richard T. Earle, Wardens.

Richard T. Earle, William McKenney, John B. Brown, Edwin H. Brown, Richard Hollyday, William H. Warren, J. J. Hall, Charles N. Classen, Vestrymen.

Families 70; Souls 360; Baptisms, Infant 25; Confirmed 5; Marriages 3; Burials 7; Communicants, added 12; died 1; removed 9; present number 149; actually communicating 137; Sunday School Teachers 2; Scholars 50; Parish School Teachers 2; Scholars 36.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$45.00; Domestic \$1.15; Indian \$30.00; Jews \$3.00; Miscellaneous \$10.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33.00; Convention Fund \$40.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$18.75; Diocesan Missions \$76.85; Home for Friendless Children, Thanksgiving Offering, \$18.75; Miscellaneous \$30.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$800.00; Current Expenses \$269.78; Improvements and Repairs \$417.48; Communion Alms \$87.12; for Sunday School \$30.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,800; Insured for \$1,200; St. Paul's Church,ittings 350, value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

Under the item of "Improvements" is included the cost of a handsome brass cross for the spire of the Church, presented by a member of the congregation.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

J. P. Davidson, Warden.

Hon. R. B. Carmichael, Richard B. Carmichael, Jr., C. H. Tilghman, Tilghman Paca, Dr. Chas. Cockey, Philemon Davidson, George Davidson and Wm. Rose, Vestrymen.

Families 25; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infant 16—17; Confirmed 5; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Communicants, added 6; died 3; removed 5; present number 69; Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 12.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$5.00; Foreign \$5.00; Clergy Relief \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$20.50; Diocesan Missions \$17.75; Home for Friendless Children \$15.49.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500; amount paid \$405.39; Current Expenses \$96.43; Improvements and Repairs \$196.75; Communion Alms \$37.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,200; St. Luke's Church and Chapel,ittings 350, value \$2,600; 3½ acres of land.

On account of protracted sickness in the Rector's family, the above report is not as full as it would otherwise have been.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Thos. Williams and Chas. Curtis, Wardens.

Geo. R. Dennis, T. Williams, J. Sudler, E. G. Davy, F. A. Adams, C. Curtis, B. Hufty and J. Miles, Vestrymen.

Families 58; Souls 235; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 14—16; Confirmed 4; Marriages 5; Burials 6; Communicants, added 6; died 1; removed 1; present number 77.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Clergy Relief \$4.03; To the Jews \$2.73.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8.00; Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2.08; Diocesan Missions \$14.64; Home for Friendless Children \$5.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$375; Current Expenses \$50.00; Improvements and Repairs \$150.00; Communion Alms \$14.31.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,000; Insured for \$400; Rehoboth, St. Paul's and St. Stephen's Churches,ittings 500, value \$2,000; St. Mark's Chapel, value \$200.

H. CRUIKSHANK, *Rector.*

Somerset Parish.

John Woolford and P. Mark Smith, Wardens.

Isaac S. Atkinson, William J. Brittingham, H. H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, William H. Gale, Omar A. Jones, Robert J. Waller and Levin Woolford, Vestrymen.

Families 88; Souls 375; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 14—16; Confirmed 2; Marriages 8; Burials 8; Communicants, added 8; died 3; transferred to Grace Church 23; present number 192; Sunday School Teachers 12; Scholars 85.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$11.55; For the Jews \$5.75; Increase of Ministry \$75.00; Clergy Relief \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33.00; Convention Fund \$40.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$22.00; Diocesan Missions \$38.00; Home for Friendless Children, money and clothing \$30.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$715; Current Expenses \$201.06; Improvements and Repairs \$273.85; Communion Alms \$40.00; A new Organ for St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne \$1,150.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,000; Insured for \$1,500; St. Andrew's, Princess Anne,ittings 300, value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saints' Church, Monie,ittings 150, value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,000; Invested Fund \$5,523.39.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

Wicomico Parish.

I. D. Coston and Ernest Pusey, Wardens.

William E. Jones, William I. Anderson, John W. Barnet, T. P. Harry Costen, Alexander Green, M. F. Bounds, George Bounds, Elias Bailey, Vestrymen.

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Families 21; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infant 2; Burials 3; Communicants, present number 23; Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 70.

Church Property—Grace Church,ittings 120, value \$1,500.

REV. F. B. ADKINS, *Deacon in charge.*

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

C. C. Lloyd and George T. Truitt, Wardens.

S. S. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, John E. Hayward, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, George T. Truitt, J. W. Dougherty, George W. Bailey, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 14=16; Confirmed 3; Marriages 2; Burials 7; Communicants, added 6; died 2; removed 2; present number 109; Sunday School Teachers 12; Scholars 120.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$6.35; Jews \$1.60.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15.00; Convention Fund \$18.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$3.71; Diocesan Missions \$62.45; Home for Friendless Children \$26.00.

* For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; Current Expenses \$112.01; Improvements and Repairs \$225.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church, sittings 250, value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel, sittings 150, value \$1,000; School House and Lot, value \$100; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$445.47.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, *Rector.*

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

William F. Dawson and Joseph Skinner, Wardens.

John C. Adams, John T. Harrison, William Willis, George W. Tyler, Eugene Denny, William Caulk, Joseph B. Harrington, James H. Covey, Vestrymen.

Families 60; Souls 300; Baptisms, Infant 9; Confirmed 18; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Communicants, added 19; Died 2; present number 9; actually communicating 75; Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 68.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$40.00,

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$17.00; Convention Fund \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$31.00; Diocesan Missions \$30.65; Home for Friendless Children \$38.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800, amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$175.; Improvements and Repairs \$180.00; Communion Alms \$48.96; Easter present to Rector \$41.00; for all other purposes \$50.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,000; Insured for \$2,000; Christ Church,ittings 300; value \$14,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak, value \$1,000; Holy Innocents' Chapel, Clayborne, value \$800; Invested Fund \$3,000.

The Rector is greatly indebted to the Ladies' Church Aid Society for their zealous and steady help. They never fail, but go on quietly in their work of love for the Master's sake. They have this year put down new and expensive matting in the Church at a cost of about \$75.00, besides furnishing the Rector with a new surplice and stole. In another year or two they will have completely furnished the new Church at a cost of about \$2,000. The Earnest Workers do not lag behind, but still continue their zealous efforts for the Church and Home. This year they have supplied a handsome altar-cloth at a cost of about \$50.00, besides sending their usual contribution of \$20.00 to the Home. We have at last got clear of the iniquitous lien law, and before the next Convention hope to have the new Church consecrated.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

G. W. Minnick and Julius A. Johnson, Jr., Wardens.

I. L. Adkins, Samuel Hambleton, M. T. Goldsborough, Wm. H. Smith, Jno. C. Earle, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, Wm. R. Martin, Vestrymen.

Families 69; Souls 400; Baptisms, Infant 12; Confirmed 2; Marriages 3; Burials 10; Communicants, added 9; died 3; removed 7; present number 150; actually communicating 120; Sunday School Teachers 7; Scholars 100.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$33.82; Indian \$1.00; Seabury Divinity School \$30.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40.00; Convention Fund \$50.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$33.14; Diocesan Missions \$105.98; Home for Friendless Children \$150; Church building in Cecil \$110.59; Clergy Relief, special, \$79.98.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,200; amount paid \$1,100; Current Expenses \$200; Improvements and Repairs \$250; Communion Alms \$275.37; S. S. Library \$50.00; for all other purposes \$169.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Christ Church, Sittings 450, value \$16,000; Insured for \$2,000; S. S. Room Chapel, value \$2,000.

The debt of the Parish, incurred six years ago for repairs upon the Church, and amounting to \$1,475, has been fully provided for by subscription, and will be paid when the note becomes due. A handsome iron fence with iron hitching-posts has been placed on the east side of the Church. The Treasurer has been directed to place \$12,000 insurance on the Church building.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector.*

Whitemarsh Parish.

John W. Martin and Dr. Alex. Matthews, Wardens.

John W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews, Robert Bartlett, James T. Bartlett, Alex. H. Barnett, Wm. A. Kirby, John Warner, James H. Benson, Vestrymen.

Families 60; Souls 290; Baptisms, Infant 10; Confirmed 7; Marriages 2; Burials 7; Communicants, added 9; died 3; removed 1; present number 116; actually communicating 97; Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 45.

Contributions.—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$2.00; Foreign \$21.00; Indian, (value of box) \$60.00; Clergy Relief \$3.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20.00; Convention Fund \$25.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$37.02; Diocesan Missions \$63.46; Home for Friendless Children \$50.68.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$709.50; Current Expenses \$268.50; Improvements and Repairs \$421.20; Communion Alms \$44.12; Rectory Debt, Trappe, last payment \$147.94; Chapel Debt, Oxford, last payment \$400; for all other purposes, including presents to Rector and family, \$185.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Paul's Church, Trappe, Sittings 250, value \$3,500; Insured for \$2,500; Grace Chapel, Oxford, Sittings 110, value \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000.

It is with great gratitude to God, and with hearty recognition of the earnest co-operation of his parishioners, that the Rector would note the fact that during the past year the Parish has been entirely freed from debt. Justice also bids him mention the generous help of friends beyond the Parish in making the last payment on the Oxford Chapel. Prominent among our improvements appears a handsome window, placed on the Parish

Church at Trappe, to the glory of God and in the memory of one long since entered within the vale. This deed of love, done by her daughter, preserves the memory of her Christian character and life, while it also confers great benefit upon the Zion of their common love and devotion.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector.*

Trinity Cathedral.

J. Frank Bateman and James P. Dawson, Wardens.

H. E. Bateman, J. F. Bateman, John W. Cheezum, D. R. D. Cheezum, James P. Dawson and Thomas K. Robson, Trustees.

Families 29; Souls 119; Baptisms, Infant 3; Confirmed 6; Burials 7 Communicants, added 6; removed 2; present number 44; Sunday School Teachers 8; Scholars 51.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$4.50; Jewish \$8.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$16.00; Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$15.51; Diocesan Missions \$50.00; Home for Friendless Children \$45.20.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$115.68; Communion Alms \$51.43; Easter offering for Clergy House debt \$212.67.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,750; Insured for \$1,500; Trinity Chapel,ittings 150, value \$750; Insured for \$600; Chapel of the Holy Cross, Easton Point,ittings 50, value \$250.

RT. REV. HENRY C. LAY, *Rector.*

J. WORRALL LARMOUR, *Assistant Minister.*

All Saints' Parish.

George R. Goldsborough and A. Powell Neal, Wardens.

Harrison Austin, Lewis Willis, J. Thomas Kirby, George R. Goldsborough, Anselum W. Neal, Charles H. Rose, J. McD. Goldsborough, Hedge Thompson, Vestrymen.

Families 33; Souls 175; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 16=18; Confirmed 8; Marriages 1; Burials 2; Communicants, added 8; present number 69; actually communicating 40, (average); Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 35.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$24.36; Clergy Relief \$14.76.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8.00; Convention Fund \$10.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$19.34; Diocesan Missions \$70.82; Home for Friendless Children \$66.00; for building Church in Chesapeake City \$75.00; for the Society for the Conversion of Jews \$12.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$450; Current Expenses \$56.54; Improvements and Repairs \$32.00; Communion Alms \$38.65; for Sunday School \$7.50; for all other purposes (cost of Rectory and Stable) \$2,894.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,539.50; Insured for \$2,000; All Saints' Church,ittings 150, value \$8,000; Insured for \$6,000; 33 acres of land.

During the past year a neat and comfortable Rectory and a substantial stable have been erected. The Rectory grounds have been much improved by shade trees and fences. The Mission Work in the Parish is encouraging. Regular services have been maintained at Cordora with an increasing congregation.

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

Miles River Parish.

Commodore Charles Lowndes and C. Howard Lloyd, Wardens.

T. H. Oliver, J. H. Wheeler, Francis Barry, C. F. Eastman, Robert Hough, D. C. Trimble, Vestrymen.

Families 11; Souls 80; Baptisms, Infant 17; Marriages 1; Burials 3; Communicants, added 6; removed 6; present number 35; actually communicating 41.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$21.00; Clergy Relief \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Clergy Relief \$11.41; Diocesan Missions \$35.92; Home for Friendless Children \$16.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600, paid to date; Current Expenses \$35.50; Improvements and Repairs \$73.70; Communion Alms \$33.52; for all other purposes \$21.00.

F. B. CROZIER, *Rector.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Dr. Eugene W. Humphreys and Elijah J. Parsons, Wardens.

John White, William Waller, Thomas F. J. Rider, J. A. Parsons, Gustavus W. White, Isaac S. Adams, Lafayette P. Humphreys and Randolph Humphreys, Vestrymen.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Families 100; Souls 400; Baptisms, Adult 6; Infant 37—43; Confirmed 14; Marriages 5; Burials 12; Communicants, added 21; died 2; removed 6; present number 153; Sunday School Teachers 18; Scholars 130.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Missions \$24.13; Foreign \$8.38; Clergy Relief \$2.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20.00; Convention Fund \$18.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief \$12.00; Diocesan Missions \$54.00; Home for Friendless Children \$10.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$200.89; Improvements and Repairs \$550; Communion Alms \$23.00; for the Poor \$48.68; Easter Offering \$95.42; for all other purposes \$160.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Peter's Church,ittings 350, value \$5,500; Insured for \$3,000; 11 acres of land, assessed at \$1,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$361.92.

REV. J. H. B. BROOKS, *Rector*.

Spring Hill Parish.

Ezekiel Hitch and John F. Collier, Wardens.

J. A. Taylor and James Jones, Assistant Wardens.

William Howard, V. F. Collier, George Waller, William Bennett, Albert L. Jones, George Hitch, Thomas J. Turpin, Horace Venables, Vestrymen.

Families 80; Souls 325; Baptisms, Infant 9; Confirmed 1; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Communicants, added 4; died 5; present number 138; Sunday School Teachers 3; Scholars 25.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$12.00; Diocesan Missions \$4.67; Home for Friendless Children \$3.15; Organ for St. Paul's Church \$50.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Current Expenses \$20.00; for all other purposes \$150.

Church Property.—St. Paul's and St. Philip's Churches,ittings 600, value \$5,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$600.

REV. F. B. ADKINS, *Minister in charge*.

Stepney Parish.

John W. Riall and Robert Walter, Wardens.

Robert Walter, Lewin T. Walter, John W. Riall, George D. Walter, John W. Moore, Tubman R. Conoway, John W. Willing, Benjamin F. Waller, Vestrymen.

Families 24; Souls 120; Burials 1; Communicants, present number 15.

Church Property.—Green Hill Church and St. Mary's Chapel, Sittings 150, value \$1,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$105.58.

This Parish has been without regular services for a number of years.

REV. F. B. ADKINS, *Deacon in charge.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

John James Collins and James D. Hack, Wardens.

Dr. George W. Bishop, Thomas D. Purnell, George M. Upshur, Thomas J. Johnson, Oliver D. Collins, Theodore Williams, Dr. J. B. C. Purnell, Edward L. Boehm, Vestrymen.

Families 24; Souls 220; Baptisms, Infant 6; Confirmed 3; Marriages 4; Burials 9; Communicants, added 3; Died 1; present number 82; actually communicating 50; Sunday School Teachers 9; Scholars 65.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic Mission \$10.00; Foreign \$10.00; Indian \$1.00; Colored \$1.00; Clergy Relief \$4.35; Jews \$1.70; New York Prayer Book Society \$5.46.

For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$3.96.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$650, amount paid \$650; Current Expenses \$75.00; Improvements and Repairs and Taxes (Ladies' Aid Society) \$440.75; Communion Alms \$34.79; for Taxes by subscription \$84.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$1,500; All Hallows' Church, Sittings 350, value \$3,000; Holy Cross Chapel, Stockton, value \$400; St. John's Chapel, Klej Grange, value \$300; its Invested Fund amounts to \$4,250.

ALGERNON BATTE, *Rector.*

Worcester Parish.

John R. Purnell and John Selby Purnell, Wardens.

William Showell, Wilmer S. Purnell, Henry C. Hudson, Thomas A. C. Holloway, Frank Jos. Jones, John F. Jones, W. Jones Taylor, John S. Keas, Vestrymen.

Families 27; Souls 140; Baptisms, Adult 2; Infant 5=7; Confirmed 5; Burials 5; Communicants, added 8; died 1; present number 78; actually communicating 57; Sunday School Teachers 4; Scholars 33.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions \$24.53; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$21.98; Jews' Mission \$3.35.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12.00; Convention Fund \$15.00; Diocesan Missions \$42.95; Home for Friendless Children \$2.69.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; Current Expenses \$49.95; Improvements and Repairs \$133.75; Communion Alms \$30.86; Childrens' Festival \$7.69; Music for Choir, Sunday School Books, Tracts and Cards \$24.42; Convocation expenses \$15.70.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church,ittings 300, value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,200; St. Martin's Chapel, value \$1,800.

HENRY T. LEE, *Rector.*

CLERICAL REPORTS.

EASTON, June 1, 1882.

During the past year I have, as health and opportunity allowed, sought to "make full proof of my ministry." I have preached nineteen times, read the Burial Service (outside this Diocese) twice and in part a third time, celebrated the Holy Communion five times and assisted in its celebration thirteen times.

EDWARD J. STEARNS.

The undersigned respectfully reports to his Diocesan, that during the past year he has been prevented by physical disability from the exercise of parochial duty, and that his time has been employed in pursuits of a literary character.

E. G. PERRYMAN.

TABLE I — Statistics of Persons.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION	Fami- lies.	Individ- uals.	BAPTISMS.		Confirm- ations.	Marria- ges.	Fune- rais.	COMMUNICANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			PARISH SCHOOLS.	
			Adult	Infant.				Added.	Died.	Re- moved.	Present memb's	Teach- ers.	Schol- ars.	Teach- ers.	Schol- ars.	
St. John's.....	33	152	1	20	6	5	8	5	1	3	45	6	50	.....	.....
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	20	110	1	6	3	1	5	3	.....	.....	94	8	28	.....	.....
North Elm.....	10	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	.....	.....	12	3	13	.....	.....
N. St. Asaph.....	68	248	10	39	13	7	22	8	3	4	97	10	75	1	30	
Trinity, Cecil.....	25	100	1	25	3	4	15	6	.....	.....	52	10	65	.....	.....
St. James'.....	47	220	2	7	4	4	6	7	2	17	76	7	64	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	30	115	.....	5	6	1	5	2	.....	.....	43	11	111	.....	.....
East New Market.....	20	120	.....	8	3	1	3	4	.....	.....	31	4	97	.....	.....
Vienna.....	15	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	5	40	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	90	500	1	24	18	7	23	29	6	14	100	14	131	.....	.....
U. S.	29	115	.....	11	9	5	11	16	1	5	79	10	61	.....	.....
North Kent.....	35	300	1	2	11	1	2	11	.....	2	18	6	60	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	40	250	.....	6	.....	3	6	4	.....	.....	62	3	35	.....	.....
Shrewsbury.....	70	270	.....	27	15	8	4	8	1	2	112	4	30	.....	.....
Christ Ch. Kent Island.....	12	100	.....	1	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Luke, Q. A.	41	172	1	13	6	3	5	6	.....	.....	84	9	60	2	36
St. Paul's, Q. A.	70	360	.....	25	5	2	8	6	1	9	139	3	12	.....	.....
Wye.....	25	125	.....	16	4	5	6	6	3	5	69	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corventry.....	58	285	2	11	2	8	8	8	3	23	192	12	85	.....	.....
Somerley.....	31	130	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	8	70	.....	.....
Wilcombe.....	21	120	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	8	70	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	40	325	2	14	2	2	7	6	2	2	109	12	130	.....	.....
St. Michael's.....	60	300	.....	9	18	2	4	10	2	.....	92	8	68	.....	.....
St. Peter's.....	60	400	.....	12	2	3	10	9	3	7	150	7	100	.....	.....
Whitmarsh.....	29	110	.....	10	6	2	1	9	3	1	110	9	45	.....	.....
Cathedral.....	35	175	2	16	8	.....	2	6	.....	2	44	8	31	.....	.....
All Saints.....	37	175	2	16	8	.....	3	6	.....	6	35	4	35	.....	.....
Miles River.....	11	80	.....	17	.....	1	3	6	.....	6	35	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	100	400	6	37	14	1	12	21	2	6	153	18	130	.....	.....
Spring Hill.....	24	225	.....	9	.....	2	8	4	5	.....	138	3	25	.....	.....
Steney.....	24	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
All Hollows.....	27	110	.....	6	3	4	9	3	1	.....	78	9	65	.....	.....
Forrester.....	27	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	33	.....	.....

TABLE II.—Statistics of Contributions.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	CHURCH AT LARGE						DIOCESAN.						PAROCHIAL.			
	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Indian Missions.	Missions to Jews.	Increase of Ministry.	Clergy Relief.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Clergy Relief.	Diocesan Missions.	Home for Friendless.	Parish Expenses.	Improvements.	Communi'n Alms.	Other Purposes.
St. John's, W. Ch.
St. Mary's W. Ch.
Augustine
N. Elk
N. Sassafras
Trinity Cecil
St. James'
Dorchester
E. N. Market
Great Choptank
Vienna
Chester
I. U.
N. Kent
St. Paul's Kent
Shrewsbury
Christ Ch. Kent
St. Luke's Q. A.
St. Paul's Q. A.
Wye
Coventry
Somerset
Wicomico
Pocomoke
St. Michael's
St. Peter's
Whitemarsh
Cathedral
All Saints'
Miles River
Salisbury
Spring Hill
All Hallow's
Worcester
Totals

* Contributions for all purposes: General, \$207.48; Diocesan, \$20,408.73; Parochial, \$22,122.71; Other purposes, \$2,125.12; making in all \$43,591.01.

APPENDIX.

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

We desire to present to the Convention our Twelfth Annual Report, though we have little that is new to record. During the months of August and September last there was much sickness at the Home, mainly attributed to defective drainage, which has been remedied by putting down surface drains, removing the old water fixtures, etc, and we hope there will be no recurrence of the trouble. This involved considerable outlay, about ninety dollars in all, which we were the better able to meet through the kindness of a friend, who relieved us of the fifty dollar debt remaining on the new kitchen.

Two of our largest girls have been placed at homes, one leaving in December and the other in March. The present number is nineteen, ranging from five to fifteen years of age.

We desire to return thanks to the friends of the Home in the several Parishes who helped us so liberally on Thanksgiving Day, especially to those of All Saints'. One little girl belonging to that Parish, by her own exertions, raised the sum of sixteen dollars and fifty cents. Annexed is a list of provisions, etc., received.

All which is respectfully submitted.

E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Vice President.*

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LIST OF PROVISIONS, ETC., RECEIVED.

One barrel of flour, from Mr. Holt, Hillsborough, three and a half cords of oak wood, Mr. Kersey, Easton; at Thanksgiving, one box of groceries and sundries, Christ Church, Denton; wagon load of poultry, vegetables, groceries, etc., from All Saints' Parish; from an unknown friend, dressed poultry, coffee, salt and dry goods; from Trinity Chapel, Easton, fruits and vegetables; from Trappe, flour, vegetables and bacon; from Centreville, wagon load provisions and groceries; from a friend, one barrel flour; from Trinity Parish, Elkton, one box provisions, groceries and sundries; also, one quilt from the girls of Sewing School; Dorchester Parish, one box poultry, groceries, soap, etc.; Somerset Parish, one box groceries, dried fruit, poultry, etc.; Kingston, one box dried fruit, flour, meal, etc.; Wye Parish, one box flour, lard, soap, etc.; Mr. Rathell, of Wye Parish, one barrel of flour, one ham, four bushels of meal; East New

Market, one barrel of flour; St. Stephen's Church, Coventry Parish, one box sundries. At Easter, one box containing sixty Easter eggs, oranges and bleached muslin.

Besides these, many donations have been received from citizens of Easton and vicinity, which it would be tedious to enumerate.

LIST OF PARISHES WHERE CHILDREN ARE CLOTHED.

St. Mary Anne's Parish, Great Choptank Parish, Shrewsbury Parish, Chestertown Parish, Princess Anne, North Sassafras Parish, Berlin, Salisbury, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne County; Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent County; Whitmarsh Parish—each clothe one child. Three children are clothed in St. Michael's Parish; two ladies of Baltimore clothe a child; two ladies of Wye Parish, one child; Christ Church Guild, Denton, one child; a lady of James' Church, Port Deposit, one child.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

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J. McD. GOLDSBOROUGH.	

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DR. JAMES M. H. BATEMAN,	DR. JOHN C. EARLE.
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MISS L. D. NABB.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

MISS H. E. K. PALMER.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

*Home for Friendless Children**in account with MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.*

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

County—N. Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church...	\$39 00	
N. Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Church....	12 32	
Trinity Church, Elkton	7 34	
St. James' Church, Port Deposit	5 00	
Total from Cecil County	—	\$63 06
County—Shrewsbury Parish.....	20 00	
Mrs. Thos. Pennington.....	5 00	
Chester Parish, Chestertown	18 06	
Total from Kent County.....	—	43 06
Queen Anne's County—St. Paul's Parish, Centreville....	30 00	
Wye Parish.....	15 49	
St. Luke's, Church Hill.....	5 00	
Total from Queen Anne's County...	—	50 49
Caroline County—Christ Church, Denton	1 00	
Total from Caroline County.....	—	1 00
County—Christ Church, St. Peter's Parish, Easton.	159 50	
Whitemarsh Parish	50 68	
Christ Church, St. Michael's Parish.....	20 00	
Earnest Workers, St. Michael's Parish..	20 00	
St. John's Chapel.....	31 50	
All Saints' Church.....	71 00	
Trinity Cathedral.....	45 20	
In Easton and vicinity.....	5 50	
Total from Talbot County.....	—	403 38
Dorchester County—Great Choptank Parish.....	55 83	
Dorchester Parish, Grace Church....	8 00	
Dorchester Parish, Trinity Church..	2 88	
Total from Dorchester County....	—	66 71
Somerset County—Somerset Parish.....	10 00	
Total from Somerset County.....	—	10 00
Worcester County—Pocomoke Parish.....	26 06	
All Hallows' Church.....	1 60	
Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	8 00	
Total from Worcester County.....	—	35 66
Wicomico County—Salisbury Parish.....	10 00	
Spring Hill Parish.....	3 15	
Total from Wicomico County.....	—	13 15
Total contributions from Parishes		\$687 05

Amount brought forward.....	\$ 687	04
From friends in Baltimore.....	5	00
Interest on investments.....	380	00
Over payment to Miss Phillipps (returned)	12	50
Money received for one of the children, to be paid her when she becomes of age.....	17	00
Miscellaneous receipts.....	24	20
Balance June 1, 1881.....	65	04
Total receipts.....	\$1,190	79

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's salary, paid for three quarters.....	\$150	00
Assistant Matron, paid for two quarters.....	75	00
Supplies.....	400	80
Repairs on building, pump, water fixtures, etc.....	92	68
General expenses.....	114	88
Clothing.....	04	91
Medicine.....	14	11
Fuel.....	94	20
Insurance paid to November, 1884.....	38	00
Certified copy of incorporation.....	2	00
Total spent.....	\$1,046	11
Balance in bank.....	144	68
	\$1,190	79

MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE,

EASTON, June 3, 1882.

Treasurer -

Received money from St. John's Parish, Caroline County, too late for
report this year.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Convention of the Diocese of Easton in account with

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Treasurer.

DR.

1881. June 2.	To balance in hand as per last report.....	\$207	77
" 2.	To cash and check of Chairman of Committee...	516	50
Aug. 1.	To cash of Rev. James A. Mitchell in full of dues of East New Market Parish.....	32	00
Sept. 10.	To cash of Thos. A. Hulmes for dues of St. Paul's Parish, Kent County, for 1880.....	20	00
" 28.	To cash of Thos. A. Hulmes for dues of St. Paul's Parish, Kent County, for 1881.....	20	00
		\$796	27

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1881.	June 2.	By cash paid Rev. James A. Mitchell, as per receipt and voucher No. 1.....	\$25 00
	" 2.	By cash paid Sexton and Organist, as per receipt and voucher No. 2.....	15 00
	" 5.	By cash paid Thomas K. Robson, as per bill and receipt, voucher No. 3.....	2 50
	Aug. 23.	By cash paid Rev. James A. Mitchell, as per bill and receipt, voucher No. 4.....	14 00
	" 25.	By cash paid John Cox for printing Journal, as per bill and receipt, voucher No. 5.....	137 90
	Sept. 28.	By cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per bill and receipt, voucher No. 6.....	35 00
1882.	Jan. 12.	By cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per receipt, voucher No. 7.....	125 00
	" 13.	By cash paid Rev. E. F. Dashiell, as per bill and receipt, voucher No. 8.....	12 50
	May 13.	By cash paid Rev. T. P. Barber, as per bill and voucher No. 9.....	5 87
	" 29.	By cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per receipt, voucher No. 10.....	125 00
	" 31.	By cash on hand.....	208 45
			<hr/> \$796 22

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

DELINQUENT PARISHES.

I. U. Parish.....	\$10 00
North Kent Parish.....	20 00
Christ Church, Kent Island, (four years).....	60 00
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	\$90 00

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

With Treasurer's Statement.

Balance at last report.....	\$1,376 10
Paid since on subscriptions.....	50 00
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	\$1,426 10

INVESTED.

In mortgage.....	\$1,000 00
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EXPENDED.

For taxes.....	142 08	
For stamps, stationery, safe deposit box, etc.....	28 00	
On hand for investment.....	256 02	
	<hr/>	\$1,426 10

RECEIVED.

From dividends and interest	\$3,095 46	
From extra assessment, paid by sixteen Parishes.....	304 87	
	<hr/>	\$3,400 33

DISBURSED.

In payment of Bishop's salary.....	\$2,500 00	
Deficiency reported last year.....	312 65	
On hand to pay salary.....	587 68	
	<hr/>	\$3,400 33

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

In submitting this encouraging statement the Trustees indulge the hope that no deficiency in the revenues will occur again, nor anxieties such as they have felt at times, in the past, as to the payment of the Bishop's salary. But to save them from the perplexities of the past, and the Convention the pain of listening to their complaints or misgivings, the Parishes must all pay their assessments. Only half of them paid last year, as may be seen by turning to page 83 of the Journal. Thirteen have never paid a dollar of the extra assessment, excepting two of the number, which seem to have paid one year of the three that they were assessed.

The paying Parishes are willing to contribute, as heretofore, provided those delinquent, and in arrear for the whole three years, bear their part of the burthen. Surely no Parish Rector will fail hereafter to collect and lay by the moderate sum of four to forty dollars a year to insure the additional five hundred needed for the prompt and regular payment of the salary.

We now know what our investments will yield. All, or nearly all, of the securities, some of which embarrassed us for years by their default, are now paying interest regularly, having passed through reorganizations and other changes more or less satisfactory to the holders. We may reasonably expect that our interest and dividend receipts will aggregate something over \$2,000 a year. By adding the Parish assessment of \$500, the salary is assured. Any excess will be carefully invested, and in a few years the principal will yield the full requirement, when the extra assessment will cease, with the realization of a permanent endowment for the Episcopate. Not many Dioceses can be named so near to this, or so lightly taxing the Parishes.

A list of the securities, amounting to \$38,296 par value, constituting the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese, is herewith submitted for the information of the Convention.

CHARLES LOWNDES,
EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
W. S. WALKER,
L. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1881.

June 1. Balance on hand as per last report..... \$244 17

Contributions received since last report:

June 7.	From St. Peter's Church, Salisbury Parish.....	\$8 00
" 8.	" Trinity Cathedral, Easton.....	5 00
" 8.	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.....	17 25
" 8.	" Grace Church, Taylor's Island.....	1 35
" 8.	" North Sassafras Parish.....	10 00
" 8.	" St. Mary's White Chapel.....	2 00
" 8.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	12 27
" 8.	" Chester Parish.....	6 00
" 11.	" North Elk Parish.....	3 71
" 13.	" Wye Parish.....	4 21
" 14.	" All Saints' Parish.....	8 66
" 14.	" St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.....	5 00
" 15.	" Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	5 50
" 18.	" Great Choptank Parish.....	10 00
" 24.	" White Marsh Parish.....	10 00
" 27.	" St. John's Church.....	6 50
July 28.	" Pocomoke Parish.....	4 05
Nov. 24.	" Somerset Parish.....	5 50
Dec. 28.	" Coventry Parish.....	8 00
1882.		
Apr. 28.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	20 00
May 29.	" Wye Parish.....	7 10
" 29.	" White Marsh Parish.....	27 02
" 30.	" Trinity Cathedral, Easton.....	15 51
" 30.	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.....	13 75
" 30.	" North Elk Parish.....	8 79
" 31.	" Great Choptank Parish.....	10 10

May 31.	From St. John's, Miles River.....	\$4	±
" 31.	" St. Peter's Church, Salisbury Parish.....	4	▲
" 31.	" Chester Parish.....	9	▲
" 31.	" North Sassafras Parish.....	19	▲
	" Dividends on Masonic Hall Association stock— par value \$1200.....	96	■
Making amount in my hands May 31, 1882.....		\$612	≡
Adding the cash in hand to the twelve hundred (\$1200) dollars already invested makes the sum total of this Fund to date of report.....		\$1,812	9 ■

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Diocesan Missions in account with I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer—

DR.

1881-1882.	July to April.	To cash paid drafts of the Bishop—	
		To St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish....	\$375 00
		St. James' Church, Port Deposit..	350 00
		St. Luke's Parish.....	100 00
		Coventry Parish.....	200 00
		Dorchester Parish.....	250 00
		Spring Hill Parish.....	50 00
		Balance on hand....	223 81
			\$1,548 81

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By balance on hand at last report.....	\$259 66
By cash from Great Choptank Parish.....	150 00
Rev. Mr. Nott.....	3 00
Dorchester Parish.....	23 25
East New Market Parish, }	
Vienna Parish, }	8 73
Salisbury Parish.....	54 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	4 67
Pocomoke Parish.....	62 45
Coventry Parish.....	14 42
Somerset Parish.....	43 00
Worcester Parish.....	22 90
All Hallows' Parish.....	4 19

By cash from	St. Peter's Parish.....	\$105 78
	St. Michael's Parish.....	30 65
	All Saints' Church.....	72 51
	St. John's Church, Miles River....	35 92
	Whitemarsh Parish.....	63 46
	Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
	St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish....	27 58
	St. John's (Caroline) Parish.....	6 41
	Wye Parish.....	18 25
	St. Paul's (Queen Anne's) Parish..	77 15
	St. Luke's Parish.....	42 15
	Chester Parish.....	101 34
	Shrewsbury Parish.....	70 00
	North Kent Parish	11 25
	St. Paul's (Kent) Parish.....	3 20
	Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	63 04
	North Elk Parish.....	60 32
	North Sassafras Parish.....	50 00
	St. James' Church, Port Deposit...	34 97
		<hr/> \$1,548 81

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS.

The Committee on Parochial Assessments beg leave to submit the following Report :

We have received the sum of \$535.50 from the following parishes :

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$5 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00
Trinity, Elkton	20 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50
Dorchester Parish.....	8 00
East New Market.....	8 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00
Vienna.....	5 00
Chester Parish.....	40 00
North Kent.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00
Wye Parish.....	10 00

St. Luke's, Queen Anne's.....	\$5	00
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	40	00
Coventry Parish.....	10	00
Somerset Parish.....	40	00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18	00
St. Michael's.....	14	00
All Saints.....	10	00
St. Peter's.....	50	00
Whitemarsh.....	25	00
Spring Hill.....	12	00
Worcester Parish.....	15	00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10	00
Salisbury Parish.....	18	00
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	\$535	00

CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

Due June, 1883.

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$5	00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5	00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15	00
North Sassafras.....	50	00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20	00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12	50
Dorchester.....	8	00
East New Market.....	8	00
Great Choptank.....	30	00
Vienna.....	5	00
Chester Parish.....	40	00
L. U.....	10	00
North Kent.....	20	00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20	00
Shrewsbury.....	20	00
Wye Parish.....	10	00
Christ Church, Queen Anne's.....	15	00
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's.....	5	00
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	40	00
Coventry Parish.....	10	00
Somerset Parish.....	40	00
St. Michael's Parish.....	14	00
Miles River Parish.....	14	00
All Saints Parish.....	14	00
St. Peter's Parish.....	50	00
Whitemarsh Parish.....	25	00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10	00

Spring Hill Parish.....	12 00
Salisbury Parish.....	30 00
All Hallows' Parish.....	18 00
Worcester Parish.....	15 00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 00
Stepney Parish.....	5 00
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	\$595 50

DELINQUENT PARISHES

I. U., 1881.....	\$10 00
North Kent, 1881.....	20 00
Christ Church, (Queen Anne's, 1878, \$15.00; 1879, \$15.00; 1881, \$15.00; 1882, \$15.00.....	60 00
All Hallows' Parish, 1882.....	18 00

The Committee earnestly hope that the delinquent parishes will be prepared before the next Convention to pay up in full.

W. Y. BEAVEN,
H. S. COUDON,
J. R. PURNELL,
E. M. HARDCASTLE.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TRUST FUND OF THE DIOCESE.

Treasurer in account with Stepney Parish.

Amount in hand June 1, 1881.....	\$99 60
Interest from June 1, 1881, to June 1, 1882.....	5 98
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Amount to credit of Stepney Parish is	\$105 58

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

May 29, 1882.

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A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

Be we careful to remember that all mortal men are subject to many sudden perils, diseases and sickness, and ever uncertain what time they shall depart out of this life.

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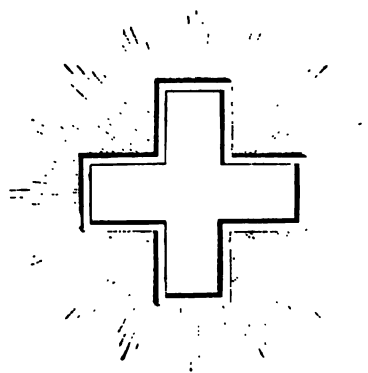
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Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given herewith.

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of Easton.

- 1 "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON" the sum of _____ Dollars for
 - a. the uses and purposes of said Convention; or
 - b. for the uses of the Clergy Relief Fund of said Convention; or
 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said Diocese; or
 - d. for the Missions of the Diocese; or for any other specific use.
- 2 "I give to TRINITY CATHEDRAL, EASTON,"
 - a. for the purpose of building or repairs; or
 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits only to be expended; or
 - c. for charitable uses, to be expended by the Bishop of said Cathedral.
- 2 "I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND" _____ Dollars.
- 1 "I give to the VESTRY OF _____ PARISH", or else
"I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON," as Trustees for _____ Parish, the sum of _____ Dollars, the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector; or to the repairs of the church, or to any other object specified.

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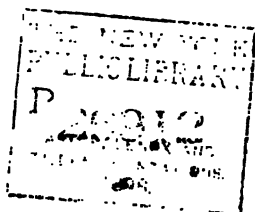
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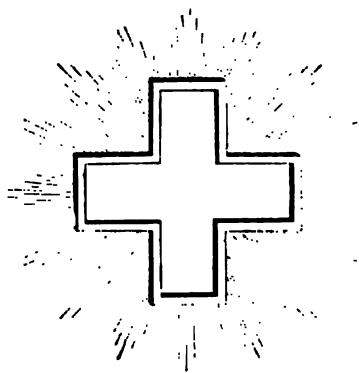
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 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said Diocese: or
 - d. for the Missions of the Diocese: or for any other specific use.
- 2 "I give to TRINITY CATHEDRAL, EASTON,"
 - a. for the purpose of building or repairs: or
 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits only to be expended: or
 - c. for charitable uses, to be expended by the Bishop of said Cathedral.
- 3 "I give to the HOME FOR THE FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND" _____ Dollars.
- 4 "I give to the VESTRY of _____ Parish", or else "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON," as Trustees for _____ Parish, the sum of _____ Dollars, the annual proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the Rector: or to the repairs of the church, or to any other object specified.



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MDCCCLXXXIII.

Congregate quae superfuerunt fragmenta, ne quid periret.

MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN.

REV. LEWIS WALKER, *Dean*.

Elkton, Tuesday, August 14th; Chestertown, Tuesday, December 11th;
North Sassafras, Tuesday, April 8th.

MIDDLE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D. *Dean*.

Church Hill, Tuesday, November 13th; Easton, Tuesday, February
5th; Denton, Tuesday, April 15th.

SOUTHERN.

REV. F. W. HILLIARD, *Dean*.

Pocomoke City, Tuesday, July 17th; Princess Anne, Tuesday, Nov-
ember 20th; Salisbury, Tuesday, May 7th.

GENERAL TREASURERS.

JAMES M. BROWN, 23 Bible House, New York, Foreign Missions.

W. B. CUTTING, 22 Bible House, New York, Domestic Missions.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER SMITH, 58 Wall street, New York, General
Clergy Relief.

DIOCESAN TREASURERS.

The Bishop requests that remittances for Diocesan purposes may be
made, not to him, but directly to the several Treasurers, the Post Office of all
of them being EASTON, MARYLAND. These are:

THOMAS HUGHETT.....Treasurer of Convention.

ISAAC L. ADKINS....." Episcopate Fund.

ISAAC L. ADKINS....." Diocesan Missions.

E. L. F. HARGREAVE....." Clergy Relief.

MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAIN....." Home for Friendless Children.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

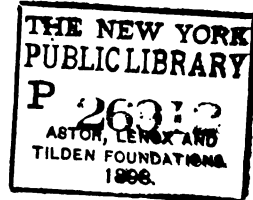
Application for admission to the Home for Friendless Children **must**
be made in writing to the President of the Board, Mrs. HENRY C. LAY,
or to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. M. DAWSON, Easton, Talbot
County, Md.

Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and
directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Md."

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LIST OF THE CLERGY
OF THE
DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 1st, 1883.

*. Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

- The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Bishop of the Diocese.**
- “ **Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.**
 - “ “ **ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, Rector of St. Michael's Parish.**
 - “ “ ***GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Rector of St. John's Parish.**
 - “ “ ***JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.**
 - “ “ ***Thomas L. Green, residing at Church Hill.**
 - “ “ **JOSEPH N. WATTSON, Rector of North Kent Parish.**
 - “ “ **JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Rector of Somerset Parish.**
 - “ “ **JAMES A. MITCHELL, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.**
 - “ “ **ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Rector of St. Peters Parish.**
 - “ “ ***JOHN MARTIN.**
 - “ “ **E. J. STEARNS, D. D., Examining Chaplain.**
 - “ “ ***Edward G. Perryman, Perrymanville, Md.**
 - “ “ **STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Rector of Chester Parish.**
 - “ “ **LEWIS WALKER, Rector of North Sassafras Parish.**
 - “ “ **E. K. MILLER, Rector of North Elk Parish.**
 - “ “ **PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Rector of Christ Church Parish.**
 - “ “ ***PIERRE DU GUE TRAPIER.**
 - “ “ **W. Y. BEAVEN, Rector of All Saint's Church.**
 - “ “ **W. WALLACE GREENE, Rector of Dorchester Parish.**
 - “ “ **FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector of Pocomoke Parish.**
 - “ “ **ALBERT R. WALKER, Rector of Whitmarsh Parish.**
 - “ “ **WILLIAM SCHOULER, Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.**
 - “ “ **ALBERT WARE, Rector of Wye Parish.**
 - “ “ **S. D. HALL, Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.**
 - “ “ **F. B. CROZIER, Rector of St. John's, Miles River.**
 - “ “ **A. BATTE, Rector of All Hallows' Parish.**
 - “ “ ***J. W. LARMOUR, Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.**
 - “ “ ***James Carmichael, D. D.**
 - “ “ **FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, Rector of Spring Hill, Stepney and Wicomico Parishes.**
 - “ “ **HENRY WALL, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co.**
 - “ “ **W. H. PHILLIPS, Rector of E. N. Market and Vienna Parishes, Dorchester County.**
 - “ “ **J. S. ELLIS, Rector of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's Co.**
 - “ “ **REGINALD H. MURPHY, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.**
 - “ “ **OLIVER H. MURPHY, Deacon, Missionary in Coventry Parish.**
 - “ “ **George S. Gassner, Deacon.**

In all, the Bishop, 3 Deacons and 33 Priests—36.

ADDED SINCE CONVENTION.

The Rev. G. W. BOWNE, Rector of Salisbury Parish.

LIST OF CLERGY,
WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

- 1 The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D., Easton, Md.
- 2 " Rev. F. B. ADKINS, Quantico, Wicomico Co., Md.
- 3 " " THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 4 " " A. BATTE, Snow Hill, Worcester Co. Md.
- 5 " " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D., Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
- 6 " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN, Hillsborough. Caroline Co., Md.
- 7 " " W. Y. BEAVEN, Longwoods, Talbot Co., Md.
- 8 " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 9 " " JAMES CARMICHAEL, D. D.
- 10 " " F. B. CROZIER, Tunis' Mill, Talbot Co., Md.
- 11 " " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
- 12 " " GEORGE S. GASSNER.
- 13 " " THOS. L. GREEN, Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 14 " " W. WALLACE GREENE, Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 15 " " S. D. HALL, Denton, Caroline, Co., Md.
- 16 " " F. W. HILLIARD, Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
- 17 " " J. W. LARMOUR, Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
- 18 " " JOHN MARTIN.
- 19 " " ENOCH K. MILLER, North East, Cecil Co., Md.
- 20 " " JAS. A. MITCHELL, Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 21 " " OLIVER H. MURPHY, Upper Fairmount, Md.
- 22 " " REGINALD H. MURPHY, Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
- 23 " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN.
- 24 " " WM. H. PHILLIPS, E. New Market, Dorchester Co., Md.
- 25 " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
- 26 " " WILLIAM SCHOULER, Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
- 27 " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D.
- 28 " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON, Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
- 29 " " PIERRE DU GUE TRAPIER, Reisterstown, Md.
- 30 " " LEWIS WALKE, Earleville, Cecil Co., Md.
- 31 " " HENRY WALL, D. D., Fairlee, Cecil Co., Md.
- 32 " " ALBERT R. WALKER, Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
- 33 " " A. WARE, Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
- 34 " " J. N. WATTSON, Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
- 35 " " ROBERT WILSON, M. D., Easton, Talbot Co., Md.

ADDED SINCE CONVENTION.

The Rev. G. W. BOWNE, Salisbury, Md.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.
Rev. Geo. F. Beaven, Rector.

ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL PARISH.
Rev. S. D. Hall, Rector.

Lay Delegates.
J. M. Wooters.

AUGUSTINE PARISH.	
Wm. Schouler, Rector.	*G. Oldham Massey.
NORTH ELK PARISH.	
Rev. E. K. Miller, Rector.	Henry S. Coudon.
NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.	
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	J. C. Crookshank.
TRINITY PARISH.	
Rev. Wm. Schouler, Rector.	R. C. Mackall, M. D.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH.	

DORCHESTER PARISH.	
Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.	W. W. Mace.
EAST NEW MARKET PARISH.	
Rev. Wm. H. Phillips, Rector.	*E. S. Johnson.
GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH.	
Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.	Wm. R. Hayward, M.
Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister.	Daniel M. Henry, Jr.
VIENNA PARISH.	
Rev. Wm. H. Phillips, Rector.	W. S. Craft.

KENT COUNTY.

CHESTER PARISH.	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.	Wm. S. Walker
I. U. PARISH.	
NORTH KENT PARISH.	
Rev. J. N. Wattson, Rector.	
ST. PAUL'S PARISH.	
Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., Rector.	Stevenson Con. table
SHREWSBURY PARISH.	
Rev. R. H. Murphy, Rector.	D. J. Nowland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.	
Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.	E. C. Legg.
ST. LUKE'S PARISH.	
Rev. J. S. Ellis, Rector.	James Brown.
ST. PAUL'S PARISH.	
Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.	Wm. McKenney.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.	
Rev. A. Ware, Rector.	W. W. Rose.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.	
Rev. O. H. Murphy, Missionary.	Baldwin Hufty.
SOMERSET PARISH.	
Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector.	Wm. H. Gale, M. D.
WICOMICO PARISH.	
Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.	*Wm. E. Jones.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke PARISH.	
Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.	S. S. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.	
Rev. F. F. Dashiell, Rector.	F. B. Andrew.

List of Parishes, &c.

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ST. PETER'S PARISH.	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>
Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D., Rector.	I. L. Adkins, M. D.
CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY. OXFORD.	
WHITEMARSH PARISH.	
Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.	E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.
TRINITY CATHEDRAL.	
The Bishop, Rector.	Henry E. Bateman.
Rev. J. W. Larmour.	T. K. Robson.
ALL SAINT'S PARISH.	
Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.	Chas. H. Rose, M. D.
MILES RIVER PARISH.	
Rev. F. B. Crozier, Rector.	T. H. Oliver.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.	
SALISBURY PARISH.	J. Augustus Parsons.
SPRING HILL PARISH.	
Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector,	Albert L. Jones.
STEPNEY PARISH.	
Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.	Robert Walter.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

ALL HALLOW'S PARISH.	
Rev. A. Batte, Rector.	Geo. W. Bishop, M. D.
WORCESTER'S PARISH.	
	*B. J. Taylor.

In all, 37 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations represented at the Fifteenth Annual Convention by 30 Lay Delegates.

In attendance at the Fifteenth Annual Convention, Clergy 28, Lay Delegates 30.

CHURCH EDIFICES,

WITH THE

DATES OF CONSECRATION AND RE-DEDICATION.

ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE.

St. Paul's, Hillsborough, (W. R. W.) 1858.

Holy Trinity, Greensborough, (H. C. L.) 1875.

ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL.

Christ, Denton, (H. C. L.) 1874.

AUGUSTINE, CECIL.

St. Augustine, (W. R. W.) 1842.

Church of the Good Shepherd, (H. C. L.) 1883.

NORTH ELK.

St. Mary, North East, (W. R. W.) 1844.

St. Mark's, Perryville, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. John's in the Wilderness.

NORTH SASSAFRAS.

St. Stephen's, { Kemp, } 1824.
 { H. C. L., } 1874.

St. Stephen's, Cecilton, (H. C. L.) 1879.

TRINITY.

Trinity, Elkton, { Stone. } 1832.
 { Kerfoot. } 1867.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

St. James', Port Deposit, (H. C. L.) 1882.

DORCHESTER, DORCHESTER CO.

Trinity, Church Creek, (W. R. W.) 1853.

Grace, Taylor's Island, (H. C. L.) 1873.

EAST NEW MARKET.

St. Stephen's, (W. R. W.) 1850.

GREAT CHOPTANK.

Christ, Cambridge.

St. John's, (W. R. W.) 1853.

St. James, Maple Dam, (H. C. L.) 1881.

VIENNA.

St. Paul's, Vienna.

CHESTER, KENT CO.

Emmanuel, Chestertown, (H. C. L.) 1882.

I. U.

Christ, (W. R. W.) 1860.

NORTH KENT.

St. Clement's, 1855.
Holy Cross, Millington.

ST. PAUL'S, KENT.

St. Paul's, (W. R. W.) 1843.

SHREWSBURY.

Shrewsbury, { W. R. W. } 1840.
 { H. C. L. } 1880.
St. Andrew's, Galena, (H. C. L.) 1878.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S CO.

Christ, Kent Island, (W. R. W.) 1841.

ST. LUKE'S.

St. Luke's, Church Hill, (colonial and restored), (H. C. L.) 1881.
St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, (H. C. L.) 1880.

ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's, Centreville, { Stone. } 1835.
 { W. R. W. } 1855.

WYE, QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT.

St. Luke's, Queenstown, (W. R. W.) 1842.
St. Luke's, Wye, (W. R. W.) 1854.

COVENTRY, SOMERSET CO.

St. Paul's, Annessex, (W. R. W.) 1848.
St. Mark's, Kingston, (W. R. W.) 1846.
St. Stephen's, Fairmount.

SOMERSET.

All Saint's, Monie, { W. R. W. } 1845.
 { H. C. L. } 1881.
St. Andrew's, Princess Anne, (W. R. W.) 1845.

WICOMICO.

Grace, (W. R. W.) 1848.

POCOMOKE, SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COS.

St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, (W. R. W.) 1845.
St. Stephen's, Naswaddux, (H. C. L.) 1877.

ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT CO.

Christ, St. Michael's, { Kemp. } 1814.
 { H. C. L. } 1883.
Holy Innocents, Claiborne.
St. Paul's, Royal Oak, (W. R. W.) 1859.

ST. PETER'S.

Christ, Easton, { (Claggett) 1803.
 { (W. R. W.) 1847.
 { (Restored) (H. C. L.) 1876.

WHITEMARSH.

- St. Peter's, (Dilapidated.)
- St. Paul's, Trappe, (H. C. L.) 1872.
- Grace, Oxford.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

- Trinity Chapel.
- Holy Cross, Easton Point.

ALL SAINTS.

- All Saints, (H. C. L.) 1873.

MILES RIVER.

- St. John's, (Doane.) 1839.

ST. MATTHEW'S, WICOMICO CO.

- St. Matthew's, (W. R. W.) 1849.

SALISBURY.

- St. Peter's, Salisbury.

SPRING HILL.

- St. Peter's, Spring Hill.
- St. Philip's, Quantico, (W. R. W.) 1845.

STEPNEY.

- Stepney, (Dilapidated.)
- St. Mary's, Tyaskin, (Doane.) 1839.

ALL HALLOW'S, WORCESTER CO.

- All Hallow's, Snow Hill.
- St. John's, Traptown, (W. R. W.) 1845.
- Holy Cross, Sandy Hill, (W. R. W.) 1851.

WORCESTER.

- St. Paul's, Berlin, (Kemp.) 1827.
- St. Martin's, (W. R. W.) 1845.

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**OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF THE FIFTEENTH
ANNUAL CONVENTION.**

OFFICERS.

The Right Rev. HENRY CHAMPLIN LAY, D. D., LL. D.,
President:

The Rev. JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary, Centreville, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, ESQ.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, ESQ.,
Treasurer of the Convention,
Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Missions Fund,
Easton, Md.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE, The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md. Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

HON. J. ALFRED PEARCE,
Chancellor of the Diocese, Chestertown, Md.

Standing Committee:

the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D. (President); the Rev. Jas. A.
Mitchell, (Secretary); the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev.
E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.

Ecclesiastical Court (Elected 1880.)

the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev.
S. C. Roberts.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell,
Geo. R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker,
Charles Lowndes.

Diocesan

Easton.

EMARSH.

St. Peter's, (Dilapid
St. Paul's, Trappe,
Grace, Oxford.

the Rev. Lewis Walke, the
Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Messrs. I.
E. Chamberlaine, M. D.

ITY CATHEDRAL.

Trinity Chapel.
Holy Cross, East

N. Wattson. the Rev E.
Heaven.

SAINTS.

All Saints, (H.

RIVER.

St. John's, (Do
MATTHEW'S, W
St. Matthew's

Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the

BURY.

St. Peter's,

Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev.

G HILL.

St. Peter's.
St. Philip's

E. L. F. Hardcastle, and John

KEY.

Stepney,
St. Mary's

the Diocese:
Thomas Hughlett (Treasurer
Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I.

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M. D., Geo. R. Golds-

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with Prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or, if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body, appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair may then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair; one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the admission of New Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Annals and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees, for the appointment of which no other provision is made, unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered, until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. No member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question without leave. The President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted, while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated, until the same shall be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion, not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in their order of precedence, shall be: to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend and to offer a substitute; the question on the first three to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contain more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of Order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it, but reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts, or Canons as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish Boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new Boundaries, which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon any proposed Resolution, Act or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this Rule.

21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M., on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered, or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

Journal of Proceedings.

THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION *of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton* assembled at 11 A. M. in Emmanuel Church, Chestertown, on Wednesday, the 6th day of June, A. D. 1883.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. O. H. Murphy, A. R. Walker, W. Y. Beaven, and J. A. Mitchell.

The sermon was preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Kirkby from Rev. V. 9.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns presented Mr. George S. Gassner, the Bishop proceeded with the service for the ordination of Deacons assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Edward H. C. Goodwin and R. Wilson. The Bishop celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., and the Rev. E. F. Dashiell.

After Divine Service the Bishop called the Convention to order, and the Secretary of the last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from a list furnished by the Bishop. The following Clergymen answered to their names :

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D.	The Rev. J. S. Ellis,
LL. D.,	" " W. W. Greene,
" Rev. F. B. Adkins,	" " S. D. Hall,
" " Theo. P. Barber, D. D.,	" " F. W. Hilliard,
" " Algernon Batte,	" " E. K. Miller,
" " John O. Barton, D. D.,	" " J. A. Mitchell,
" " W. Y. Beaven,	" " O. H. Murphy,
" " F. B. Crozier,	" " R. H. Murphy,
" " E. F. Dashiell,	" " Wm. H. Phillips,

The Rev. S. C. Roberts,
 " " Wm. Schouler,
 " " E. J. Stearns, D. D.,
 " " P. D. Thompson,
 " " Lewis Walke,

The Rev. A. R. Walker,
 " " Albert Ware,
 " " J. N. Wattson,
 " " Robert Wilson, M. D.—26

The names of Lay Delegates were called from the certificates furnished the Secretary, and the following answered to their names :

Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D.,
 F. B. Andrew,
 H. E. Bateman,
 Geo. W. Bishop, M. D.,
 James Brown,
 Stevenson Constable,
 Henry S. Coudon,
 W. S. Craft,
 R. C. Mackall, M. D.
 W. W. Mace,
 Wm. McKenney,
 S. S. McMaster,
 D. J. Nowland,
 T. H. Oliver,

J. A. Parsons,
 T. K. Robson,
 J. C. Crookshank,
 W. H. Gale, M. D.,
 E. M. Hardcastle, M. D.,
 W. R. Hayward, M. D.,
 A. L. Jones,
 E. C. Legg,
 Chas. H. Rose, M. D.,
 W. W. Rose,
 R. Walter,
 Wm. S. Walker,
 J. M. Wooters.—27.

A quorum of both orders being present, the President announced the Convention duly organized, and that the first business in order was the election of a Secretary.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell was nominated for re-election, and on motion, the ballot being dispensed with, the Rev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committee :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. John O. Barton, D. D., Lewis Walke and A. R. Walker.

On Elections.—Messrs. S. S. McMaster, W. S. Craft and W. W. Rose.

On Accounts.—Messrs. S. S. McMaster, G. W. Bishop, M. D. and J. C. Crookshank.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Messrs. E. M. Hardcastle, H. S. Coudon, and Wm. McKenney.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Messrs. S. C. Roberts and A. Batte, and Mr. James Brown.

On the Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D. and Messrs. H. E. Bateman and W. H. Gale.

On Canons.—The Rev. Messrs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D. and E. F. Dashiell, and Mr. R. C. Mackall.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. R. Wilson, F. W. Hilliard, E. K. Miller, and Messrs. W. R. Hayward and W. S. Craft.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, all visiting Clergymen and Candidates for orders, the Officers of the Diocese, and Vestry of Chester Parish be and hereby are invited to seats, as honorary members of this Convention.

The visiting Clergy present were the Ven. Arch deacon Kirkby, the Rev. E. H. C. Goodwin, of New York ; and the Rev. Messrs. Geo. A. Leakin and Geo. W. Harrod of Maryland.

Dr. I. L. Adkins presented the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which was on motion referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, the report of the Board of Missions, was made the order of the day, for this evening, after the reading of the Bishop's address.

ence too, drop naturally into certain well-worn grooves. We of the Clergy owe it to ourselves to seek, whenever we can, the society of other Clergymen. If they are no wiser than we they help us to look at familiar truths in some new light. In the comparison of our very anxieties and disappointments we may cheer each other by sympathy.

Let not our interest in the Convention and in the lesser gatherings of the Church, be measured by mere tangible results. The most profitable Conventions are those which send us home with a fresh realization of the Communion of Saints, and with the persuasion that the humble work of each individual is as a rill which lends its contribution to the great river of life.

I trust it is not without profit that the two dioceses united last week in services memorial of the organization of the Church in Maryland a century ago.

At the opening services, May 29, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, I delivered an address on the lessons of the Colonial history of the Church. On the next day the Rev. Dr. Hutton delivered before the Convention of Maryland, in St. Peter's Church, a well studied and judicious sketch of the history of the diocese from the Revolution of 1776 down to the present time.

Opportunity was also given for private conference, and hospitable provision was made for the visiting Clergy. Among these were the honored fathers, the Bishops of Delaware, Western New York and North Carolina.

A like interest attaches to the approaching session of the General Convention, as it completes the hundredth year of the organization of the National Church in America.

The recurrence of such anniversaries stimulates the study of the past, and leads devout men to bethink themselves of the way the Lord our God has led us these many years.

It leads us also to forecast the future, and if we be wise **st**ewards in the family of God, to make provision for it.

Surely mercy and goodness have followed us in the past : **a**nd as for the future, when I peer into it with but a twilight **v**ision indeed, I so see OPPORTUNITY inscribed over its **p**ortals, that I am **t**empted to envy our young Priests and Deacons **w**ho are to advance with the onward tide of the coming years

Let us look back for a little while over the ecclesiastical **v**icissitudes of a century.

The story is of order emerging out of chaos, and of a **C**hurch system, tenacious of every ancient principle, and yet, **p**rudently accommodative to the political arrangements of a **n**ew world. The Church, at first suspected of unfriendliness **t**o religious liberty, has won confidence as the ally of republi-
can institutions, and has proved that even in times of civil **c**ommotion, her mission is not to increase strife, or to dictate **t**o civil authority, but rather to urge with unabated zeal her gentle ministries of peace.

The story is of solid, steady growth ; Bishops and Dioceses and Missionary Districts multiplying, until they cover all the land. In 1859, Bishop Scott and I were the two Missionary Bishops west of the Mississippi River ; we have now thirteen.

The story is of abated prejudice, and of no small concilia-
tion. Some of us can remember a general prejudice against **f**estivals and flowers, against organs and crosses. We have come to share our Christmas and Easter, our anthems and our symbols with many others, and in floral adornment and loud orchestra, they have gone beyond us.

How many weary arguments we used to have, and with good people too, to show that the Prayer Book was not a sort of Japanese Prayer-mill, a mechanical worship with no spir-
itual affection ; while now all around us, the learned and

devout of various denominations are reaching out after liturgical order and beauty.

Our refusal to fall in with the revival system used to be deemed proof conclusive that we knew nothing about conversion, and were unequal to the work of evangelizing the world. Little by little the multitude are beginning to lose confidence in the stimulant system, and to rely on patient pastoral work.

I well remember that the storm of a revival swept over the community in which I had my first pastoral charge, and continued for months. On a fair bright Sunday morning I would find a mere handful of people at church, and it seemed as if all was lost: and yet the confidence in the Church's sobriety and faithfulness born in that time of trial, gave to it in a few years the leading place in the community.

There has been a great awakening of activities in the church itself. Conservatism was for a time her inevitable policy. She was afraid to change anything lest essentials might be lost. But now, assured of her footing, she seeks to adapt her ministrations to the ascertained needs of the people, and so to vary them so as to enlarge her opportunities of usefulness.

Profoundly interesting in this connection is the Revision of the Liturgy now in progress, with a view to enrichment and to flexibility of use.

The duties of the Committee to whom this subject is entrusted have largely occupied my mind and filled my heart for the past three years.

The conclusions of that Committee have need to be accurately formulated before they can be laid before the Church. Any summary of them, given in advance would be misleading, if not unintelligible.

So thoroughly and prudently and lovingly has this work been done, that I do not doubt it will be heartily approved when presented to the Church.

I have suggested that the Church of our affections has in the past steadily gained upon the confidence of the nation, and I cannot but believe that there is a bright future before her, if only she shall be true to herself.

I argue this from her very antagonism in many respects to the spirit of the age. Believe me, Brethren, in the end, that Church which seeks to guide the faith and manners of the multitude will be stronger than that which accommodates itself to the temper of the hour.

It is an age of negation ; men are denying God and the Bible and Church and Sunday ; denying the indissolubility of marriage and the rights of property.

Sober and thoughtful people recognize the conservative value of an institution which calmly asserts the old-fashioned orthodoxy which underlies our religious and social fabric.

It is a day of religious novelty and unrest. No one knows what new phase of heterodoxy will be quoted in the next Monday morning's paper, from some eminent teacher, or what new and wild organization will be framed to supersede the authoritative Church of Christ.

People are weary of unrest and novelty ; they yearn for a religious system which has the stamp of authority. Nay, they are weary of the assertion of a right of private judgment which implies innumerable and contradictory infallibilities ; they are glad, when once they understand it, to believe that the Holy Ghost has illumined and sanctified the believers of all the ages, and that the Gospel which in its essentials all these have united to receive, is that which He had taught them.

I see a future developing itself in the Eastern Shore Maryland. The spirit of enterprise and improvement invading us—thought is quickened and business energy infused. Sagacious observers predict that the natural advantages of situation and products will secure great material development.

These influences, we may hope, will impart interest to our Church work and increase our means of accomplishing it.

Whether we shall avail ourselves of these opportunities depends, I think, first and chiefly upon the religiousness of spirit in which our work is done, and the type of person and religion which we of the Clergy inculcate in our teachings and exemplify in our lives.

Unless the religion which we teach makes us devout, upright, worldly, temperate and honest, we have no right to expect God's blessing on our labours. The Christ-life must be in us or else virtue cannot flow out from us.

Alas! how plainly may we recognize our own spiritual deficiencies in the persons of those whom we have taught and guided! What need have we to take heed to ourselves, in order to guide the flock over which the Holy Ghost has made us overseers!

Much will depend also upon the professional training and ability of the Priesthood. I have deeply recognized this truth and have been jealous with a godly jealousy, touching the fitness of those who are added to our Clergy list whether by removal or by ordination. Where I have been consulted about the supply of parishes (and I have been almost always consulted) I have been at much pains to gain accurate information as to the worth and efficiency of such as are proposed to us.

As for our own young men, I have been steadily and ably supported by the Examining Chaplains of the Diocese, in

exact~~y~~ing as thorough a theological preparation as can reasonably be demanded. I am very hopeful of those of our own sons who have been ordained and of those who in various stages of preparation are looking to the ministry.

I trust it may be always the policy of the Diocese to insist upon such thorough education of its Clergy, and to supply the Bishop with means to this end. And besides this, we must infuse life and spirit into our parochial machinery. Parishioners must be brought together in conference. Vestrymen must be carefully chosen on Easter Monday, of the best material which the congregation affords. Church business must be done heedfully and accurately. Lay energies must be utilized.

We made some effort in this direction last Easter, and not without useful results. I do entreat my brethren of the Clergy that they will with united, concerted effort, break up the wretched custom of long years by which the people have abdicated their right and duty as electors. Let us make of our Vestries, when so chosen, friends, advisers and helpers.

Clergy List.

The changes among the Clergy have been as follows :

On the 17th of February last, the Rev. Henry T. Lee, Rector of Worcester Parish, died. His summons was very sudden, for in less than half an hour he passed from his usual health into the nearer presence of things eternal.

The Rev. J. S. Ellis has presented Letters Dimissory from the Diocese of Massachusetts and become Rector of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's. The Rev. Reginald H. Murphy, whom I, long years ago ordained to the Priesthood in Arkansas, has been received from Delaware and is Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.

The Clergy list has been further increased by the ordination to the Diaconate of the Rev. Oliver H. Murphy and the Rev. George S. Gassner.

There have been two changes within the Diocese.

The Rev. John Martin, has resigned the charge of Shrewsbury, and by reason of advanced age, been placed upon the retired list.

But he still has strength enough, and abounding love and zeal, to do valuable work in vacant parishes and in assisting younger brethren. May God grant to him a green and peaceful old age and a happy entrance into rest !

The Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., has been much hindered during the last year by reason of ill-health. He has resigned the charge of St. James', Port Deposit, and is now without a cure.

The following clergy have removed from the Diocese :

The Rev. Geo. S. Fitzhugh, to Delaware.

The Rev. J. H. B. Brooks, to Pittsburg ; and

The Rev. H. Cruikshank, to Rhode Island.

Ordinations and Consecrations.

On All Saints Day I consecrated to the service of Almighty God, Christ Church, St. Michael's.

The Parish and the Diocese are alike to be congratulated that the seeming misfortune of the decay of the old church, has resulted in the completion of an edifice so beautiful and substantial, reflecting credit on the energy and liberality of the parishioners.

I pause to express the hope that Christ Church, Cambridge, lately destroyed by fire, may rise in like strength and beauty from its ashes.

The Rectors of Great Choptank and of St. Michael's Parishes, the two senior Priests of the Diocese, have doubtless found this task of reconstruction a heavy burden :

but they are well repaid for their labor and anxiety, by the privilege of making so valuable an addition to the Church of the future.

On the next day, November 2d, in Christ Church, Easton, I admitted to the Priesthood, the Rev. Franklin Bache Adkins, the sermon being preached by myself, and the candidate presented by the Rev. Dr. Wilson.

On the 29th of March, I consecrated to the service of Almighty God, the Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City. The sermon was preached by the Rev. G. Woolsey Hodge, of Philadelphia, a representative of the family who have given the land.

The success of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, in his endeavor thus to revive the old parish of Augustine, is matter of sincerest gratification to us all.

On the 18th of April, in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, I admitted to the Diaconate, Oliver H. Murphy. The sermon was preached and the candidate presented by the Rev. Mr. Dashiell.

I have to-day, in Emmanuel Church, Chestertown, in your presence, admitted to the Diaconate, Mr. George Sears Gassner, the sermon being preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Kirkby, and the candidate presented by the Rev. Dr. Stearns.

My canonical consent has been duly given to the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Hugh Miller Thompson, D. D., assistant Bishop of Mississippi.

I have confirmed the nominations of the Deans of Convocation, the same persons being continued in office.

The last year is not abundant in spiritual results.

A serious hindrance has been the character of weather and roads for months together, which in many congregations

has interrupted the public services. Religious habits are thus broken up, systematic offerings are neglected and Clergymen become discouraged.

The righteous man who is willing to face some personal discomfort, is rightly merciful to his beast. He has not the heart to leave his dumb friends and servants exposed to wind and sleet, while he is worshipping.

I have hardly ever seen a Friends Meeting House without a shelter for the cattle, but of our own churches I remember one only where such provision is made, St. John's, Miles River. Such shelter is by no means expensive. Can it not be provided?

This may seem a small matter to be urged in this place, but it is really one of importance. There are very few Sundays so unfavorable that a congregation could not be gathered in our country churches if the horses could be protected from exposure.

So much of the year has been lost, as it were, that we have need to redouble our efforts during the summer and autumn.

It is a grief of mind, to me, that impaired health has diminished my capacity for preaching and other active duties. But sick or well I have endeavored to be thoughtful of the parishes and of the Clergy, and to advise and help them to the best of my ability.

Confirmations.

Confirmation has been held in nineteen parishes, as follows:

Augustine Parish,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
North Elk, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
North Sassafras,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Trinity, Cecil County,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

Address of the Bishop.

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Chester,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Shrewsbury,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Wye,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Somerset,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Wicomico,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Pocomoke,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
St. Michael's,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
St. Peter's	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Whitemarsh,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Cathedral,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
All Saints,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Miles River,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Spring Hill,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Stepney,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

In all eighty persons.

Diocesan Library and Episcopal Residence.

The Rev. Dr. McKenney in his will, bequeathed his theological books to the Diocese. In the form of a receipt for the same prepared by the executors, they ask that the corporate seal of the Convention be thereto affixed and by some person expressly authorized to affix such seal.

This request has need to be considered.

These books, two or three hundred in number, were boxed up at Dr. McKenney's death, and I have not had opportunity to examine them.

What shall we do with these and with other like gifts from time to time accruing? And what with the Journals of Conventions and other co-temporary documents which accumulate in the hands of the Bishop, the Secretary of Convention and the Registrar? And what with the deeds and records which have need to be preserved?

Shall they be left inaccessible, to moulder in the garret or the out house?

You will remember the purchase by the Convention of Dr. Allen's manuscript records of our parishes.

In order to ensure their preservation, I have sought to have them copied, and, after some ten years, this copy is at last completed. One volume was written out by the late Dr. Ninian Pinkney, and the rest by friends still living who would not desire their names to be mentioned.

This copy makes six volumes of about three hundred pages of foolscap each. The only cost to the Diocese is for the binding.

I can but think that every Diocese owes it to itself, and to posterity, to inaugurate some sort of Diocesan Library, not only to preserve its records, and its bequests, but also to provide books of reference for the use of the Clergy.

It does not occur to many persons, how interesting and invaluable in the future, will be the Church literature of the present, and how regretfully we consign to the waste basket printed and manuscript material which ought to be arranged, indexed and preserved.

And this suggests a larger question. Should not such a Library be the adjunct of a Residence for the Bishop?

You will not suspect me of speaking in the interest of my own convenience. I am very well content with such domestic arrangements as I have been able to make without troubling other people.

There is no possession so real as real estate; nothing which so adds dignity and security to private fortunes and to corporate prosperity. A Diocesan home helps to take the Diocese out of the region of abstractions, and to give it material form and semblance.

Furthermore, when the Episcopate shall become vacant, the range of your selection will somewhat depend upon the facilities the Diocese affords for the discharge of the duties.

If you seek, as perchance you may, some one of good repute, one accustomed to efficient parochial arrangements, a man of scholarly tastes, to whom books are a necessity, the addition of a home and library to the salary which you are able to offer, may secure the person of your choice.

I am told by those most familiar with the facts, that there are not a few members of the Diocese who have never subscribed to the Episcopal Fund. It may be that a zealous agent could induce these, and others also, who have rested and prospered since their contribution fifteen years ago, to give the few thousand dollars necessary to provide a home for the Bishop and an office for the Diocese.

Such an effort is timely when we are reminding ourselves of the goodness of God in securing the organization of the Church in Maryland, a century ago.

The report of the Home for Friendless Children, of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, shows that this excellent charity continues to prosper.

The report of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Clergy Relief, exhibits a steady growth, and shows what good things may come, eventually, from faithfully carrying out concerted plans.

As for our Diocesan Missions, our solitary reliance for Diocesan growth, more than any other matter that will come before us, it demands our lively interest and our united efforts.

Gifts and Ornaments.

I have had occasion to set forth special services for two interesting occasions.

One of them the dedication of a bell in Trinity Church, Elkton, a memorial of the late Henry B. Wirt, and the other, the dedication of an elegant marble altar in St. Peter's, Salisbury, in memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Humphreys.

At a late visit to Pocomoke City, I found, instead of the old organ, very familiar to me, (for when a boy of sixteen I often labored at the bellows as it stood in the church in Charlottesville, Virginia,) a very superior instrument, from the factory of Pomplitz, in Baltimore ; and then in Princess Anne I found a sweet and full-voiced organ from the hands of Nieman, of the same city. St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne, besides the organ, has filled all the windows but one, with pictured glass, and has procured a font of Caen stone beautiful in design and execution.

Christ Church, St. Michaels, is also importing a lovely font, memorial of a dear little child. St. Paul's Church, Trappe, has also been beautified by filling all the windows with stained glass, at a cost of \$800,00.

I own frankly that I delight to record such things. Without encouraging extravagant adornment, and rejoicing that we all seem agreed to put no foreign tinsel on the robes of our Anglican Mother, I am glad to see a love for beautiful things, and bright music, and comely vestures and fair flowers in our churches. Holiness is indeed first and last, and all in all, but the beauty of holiness is not to be despised.

When I first came to reside among you, I noted at Perryville the neatness of that railroad station, bright, summer and winter with flowers. From a small beginning, and by slow increments a policy has grown, and now all along the lines from Baltimore to Philadelphia, and from Wilmington to Delmar, we see sodded slopes of green grass, instead of unsightly clay, parterres of roses by each station, and hot-house plants in the waiting rooms.

The utilitarian might argue that it is a waste and a superfluity. Better by far spend your cares on keeping firm the road bed, aligning the track and watching the switches.

Nay, replies the railroad man, we find ourselves amply remunerated. Decency and beauty do actually encourage travel, and the station agent who cultivates his eye and his

hand, in these little things, learns refinement, order and neatness, and carries them to his desk and into his abstracts and invoices.

And I think the same principle holds in things religious. An ill-swept church, a disorderly vestry-room, a surplice soiled or torn, a careless manner in desk or pew, lessons hunted up in the calendar while the people are waiting, hard names mispronounced in the suddenness of encounter with them, hymns selected hap-hazard with no relevancy to the occasion, week-day services and funerals without music; depend upon it, these petty negligences do mar the work even of the best of men. Whereas, familiarity with the reverent, the beautiful, the melodious in the public services of religion, do assist to carrying order and refinement into the life of the household.

God be thanked that beautiful things are not all of them costly.

Let us beware of puerilities and eccentricities, and of anything that suggests doctrine not taught in the Prayer Book: but let there be an honorable rivalry among us, so to order all the accidents of public worship as that all the world may know how much we prize and value our religious privileges.

The Rev. Dr. Barton from the Committee on the Rights of Clergy to seats reported, as entitled to seats:

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D. LL. D., the Revs. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., E. F. Dashiell, George F. Beaven, James L. Bryan, Joseph N. Wattson, John O. Barton, D. D., J. A. Mitchell, Robert Wilson, M. D., John Martin, E. J. Stearns, D. D., Stephen C. Roberts, Lewis Walke, E. K. Miller, P. D. Thompson, P. D. G. Trapier, W. Y. Beaven, W. W. Greene, F. W. Hillard, A. R. Walker, Wm. Schouler, Albert Ware, S. D. Hall, F. B. Crozier, A. Batte, J. W. Larmour, F. B. Adkins, Henry Wall, D. D., W. H. Phillips, J. S. Ellis, Reginald H. Murphy.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns the consideration of the report was postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. S. S. McMaster from the Committee on Elections reported:

The Committee on Elections beg leave to make the following report of the names of Lay Delegates entitled to seats in this Convention.

Miles River Parish—Thos. H. Oliver, D. C. Trimble.
 St. Mary Anne's Parish—Henry S. Couden, S. L. Chamberline
 Stepney Parish—Robert Walter, John W. Willing.
 St. John's Parish—J. M. Wooters, W. J. Dukes.
 Worcester Parish—Not signed by any Delegate.
 North Sassafra's Parish—J. Chandler Crookshank.
 St. Michael's Parish—J. C. Adams, F. B. Andrew.
 Christ Church Parish—E. C. Legg, J. H. Price.
 Salisbury Parish—J. A. Parsons, J. S. Adams.
 All Hallow's Parish—Dr. Geo. W. Bishop.
 Spring Hill Parish—A. S. Jones, H. Venables.
 All Saints Parish—G. R. Goldsborough, Dr. C. H. Rose.
 Trinity Cathedral, Easton—H. E. Bateman, Thos. K. Robson.
 Whitemarsh Parish—Dr. E. M. Hardcastle, J. B. Seth.
 St. Peter's Parish—Dr. I. L. Adkins, Samuel Hambleton.
 Pocomoke Parish—S. S. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd.
 Somerset Parish—Dr. W. H. Gale, H. H. Dashiell.
 Wye Parish—C. H. Tilghman, W. W. Rose.
 St Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County—W. McKenney, R. T.
 St. Luke's Parish—James Brown, E. S. Valliant.
 Shrewsbury Parish—D. J. Nowland, C. C. Morgan.
 St. Paul's Parish, Kent County—Stevenson Constable.
 Chester Parish—W. S. Walker, J. A. Pearce.
 Vienna Parish—W. S. Craft, J. A. Higgins.
 East New Market Parish—E. S. Johnson, J. J. Hicks.
 Great Choptank Parish—Dr. W. R. Hayward, E. Dashiell, J.
 Henry, Jr., C. E. Hayward.
 Dorchester Parish—Dr. R. C. Mackall, J. S. Wirt.
 Augustine Parish—G. O. Massey, B. Bouchelle.
 Coventry Parish—Baldwin Hufty.

The Committee further recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That in their judgment, the Hon. J. A. Pearce, Chancellor of the Diocese of Easton, is entitled to a seat and vote in the Conventions of the Diocese. All of which is respectfully reported.

S. S. McMASTER,
JAMES M. WOOTERS.

On motion, of the Rev. Dr. Barber, the report was postponed until to-morrow.

On motion, it was ordered that the Convention meet for Morning Prayer at 9.30.

An application from St. Paul's Church by the Sea was presented, and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Barton referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Elections was made the order of the day immediately on re-assembling to-morrow.

The Rev. Dr. Barber presented the report of the Board of Missions.

In proffering their annual statement your Board will, at once, announce that they have no new facts to disclose, no new arguments to advance, least of all, have they any new methods to recommend.

In point of fact, the cause we represent should now require neither defence or appeal. The necessity for sustaining the Board vigorously is so obvious, the marked results reached thus far are so encouraging, present opportunities are so inviting, that further words would appear needless. Let it only be remembered that "he who provideth not for his own household is worse than an infidel."

Our Treasurer has presented a summary of principal items in his department from which we quote :

The balance brought over from previous year	\$ 223 81
Receipts from Parishes to date.....	1,328 12
Add proceeds of the offertory at Centenary celebration in Baltimore.....	136 00
Total.....	\$1,687 93

This amount shows what have been the resources of the Board for Convention year.

Then the sum actually expended under the appropriations is \$1746

We have, thus, a present actual deficiency of \$58.07 in place of considerable balance reported a year ago. And our Treasurer asks us tinctly to mention that, on July 1st, the payment of a full quarter's sal \$400, will be due.

But, yet again, deduct the offering at the Centenary Celebration generously tendered to us ; and estimate the additional amount which w have been required but for Providential vacancies in two of the missi and our actual financial state and prospects will be only too apparent.

Brethren, your Board are well assured, that if each Parish would f and strictly abide by the system as established by canon, viz : the sys of quarterly collections by the envelopes, a sufficient sum would be res secured.

But what can your Board accomplish, if one-third of the Rectors cline to give their *personal* attention, or if vestries are indifferent careless when a vacancy occurs ?

In that case the end of our Diocesan prosperity and extension can readily foreseen.

Your Board, in conclusion, bears cheerful testimony to the fidi and zeal of our little band of laborers in the mission fi-ld. Their devo and ardor may well claim from us, a more liberal hearty support.

Your Board respectfully recommend for adoption the following res tions :

(1) *Resolved*, That quarterly returns to the Treasurers from e Parish, and Mission in the Diocese, are absolutely indispensable to the ciency of our present system.

(2) *Resolved*, That the list of Parishes be now called over openl Convention, that the Committee may be informed what amount will b their disposal for the ensuing year.

On motion, the first resolution was adopted.

Dr. I. L. Adkins read the report of the Treasurer of t Board of Missions. (See appendix.)

On motion, the second resolution was then adopted.

The Secretary called the list of Parishes, and the following pledges were made.

St. John's.....	\$ 5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	25 00
North Elk.....	50 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00
Trinity.....	10 00
Dorchester.....	25 00
East New Market.....	25 00
Great Choptank.....	150 00
Vienna.....	5 00
Chester.....	50 00
Shrewsbury.....	60 00
Christ Church.....	15 00
St. Luke's.....	50 00
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County.....	75 00
Wye.....	30 00
Coventry.....	15 00
Somerset.....	60 00
Wicomico.....	10 00
Pocomoke.....	25 00
St. Michael's.....	50 00
St. Peter's.....	150 00
Whitemarsh.....	65 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
All Saints.....	60 00
Miles River.....	35 00
Salisbury.....	25 00
Spring Hill.....	25 00
All Hallows.....	20 00
Total.....	\$1,215 00

On motion of the Rev. R. H. Murphy the following resolution was adopted.

Inasmuch as the Sister Diocese of Delaware is now in session at Lewes, therefore, *Resolved*, that we send to them our cordial greeting.

"The Diocese of Easton sends greeting to the Diocese of Delaware, and wishes a hearty GOD-speed in their work for the Church of Christ."

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

THURSDAY—SECOND DAY.

The Convention assembled at 9.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by Rev. Messrs. Batte and P. D. Thompson. The Convention was called to order by the President, and the Secretary called the roll.

The Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., of the Clergy, and Messrs. Daniel M. Henry, Jr., Baldwin Hufty and R. T. Earle, of the laity, were present in addition to those present yesterday.

On motion the report of the Committee on Rights of Clergymen to Seats was referred back to the Committee with instructions to report the Rev. O. H. Murphy entitled to a seat, whereupon he was declared entitled to a seat.

The resolution offered in the Report of the Committee on Elections, after discussion, and several amendments, was finally so amended as to declare the Chancellor "entitled to a seat."

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber it was

Resolved, That the Bishop of the Diocese be and is hereby authorized and requested to receive the legacy of books of the late Rev. James A. McKenney, D. D., from the hands of his executors, and also to affix the seal of the Diocese to his receipt.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns it was

Resolved, That Article XII of the Constitution be amended by adding after the word "seat," the words "and vote."

On motion, of the Rev. Mr. Dashiell it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the preservation of books and records be referred to a Committee of five, and that they report to the next Convention.

The President subsequently appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. E. F. Dashiell, J. A. Mitchell, W. Y. Beaven, Dr. I. L. Adkins and Col. H. E. Bateman.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, Registrar of the Diocese presented the following report :—

The Registrar of the Diocese begs leave respectfully to report :

That the appropriation made a few years ago has been quite expended.

Several volumes have been bound in durable form, including historical pamphlets and sermons.

Our collection of old Journals of the Mother Diocese, and our own has been rather increased during the year, notwithstanding the frequent calls addressed to us.

But the day is near at hand when our own store will begin to diminish, while the applications will be more and more numerous every year.

It is desirable, therefore, to gather up every Journal accessible, and carefully transmit it to the Secretary or Registrar.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

On motion of Dr. Gale it was

Resolved, That the next meeting of the Convention be held in St Andrew's Church, Princess Anne.

The time for the order of the day—12 M—having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee, and other officers.

The President appointed as tellers the Rev. Mr. Adkins and Mr. Parsons.

The Secretary called the roll of clerical and lay delegates, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The Secretary read the report of the Managers of the Home of Friendless Children. (See appendix.)

Mr. Wm. S. Walker laid upon the Secretary's table a paper for subscriptions to Dr. Ethan Allen's History of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore, and on his motion it was

Resolved, That the Diocese subscribe to one copy.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns presented the report of the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, and on motion the several resolutions appended were adopted :—

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund have carefully examined report of the Trustees, and are glad to say that they find the Fund in a thoroughly satisfactory condition. The investments are at or above par, (some of them very much above,) with one exception, and even that pays its interest (six per cent) promptly.

It has been suggested to the Committee that they should recommend the sale of the stocks and the investment of the proceeds in mortgage on real estate, as the safer security. That, as a rule, it is the safer security may be admitted; but the Committee think that the matter had better be left to the unhampered discretion, hitherto so wisely exercised, of the Trustees of the Fund. The Committee offer, in conclusion, the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Fund be directed again to ~~draw~~ send a circular to the delinquent Parishes stating the amount of their indebtedness, and requesting payment not later than the first of September.

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to publish annually in ~~Journal~~ the amount due from the several Parishes for each year, with the ~~various~~ live arrearages.

Resolved, That the extra assessment of five hundred dollars be ~~announced~~ ~~announced~~, and that the Trustees be authorized and urgently requested to ~~such steps as will~~ ~~such steps as will~~ speedily result in such permanent additions to the Fund as will do away with the necessity of such extra assessment hereafter.

E. J. STEARNS,
H. W. BATEMAN,
WM. H. GALE.

The tellers having returned, reported the following laymen elected as members of the Standing Committee

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.
The Rev. John O. Barton, D. D.
The Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell.
The Rev. Robert Wilson, M. D.
The Rev. James A. Mitchell.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to elect Clerical and Lay Delegates to represent the Diocese in the General Convention.

The President appointed as tellers the Rev. A. Batte and Dr. W. R. Hayward. The Secretary called the vote of Clergy and Laity, and the tellers retired.

Pending the announcement of the vote the Rev. Mr. Wilson presented the report of the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave to report :

That they have had under examination, reports from thirty-three Parishes. Since these reports do not represent the entire strength of the Diocese in the matter of important statistics, the Committee must refrain from any quotation of figures, which would only mislead. So far as they can judge from imperfect data, they believe the steady growth and progress of the Church in past years to have been maintained, and its general condition to be such as to cause great satisfaction.

Your Committee find occasion to congratulate several Parishes on material improvements indicative of great earnestness and zeal in the Church's work. A memorial Bell at Trinity, Elkton; handsome and costly glass, new organs and fonts in Somerset, Whitemarsh, Pocomoke and other Parishes; Parish debts finally paid off by St. Paul's Centreville and St. Peter's Easton—all this means increased spiritual life, and we thank God and take courage. All other tests as shown by the Bishop's address, point in the same direction; and your Committee with gratitude to the great Head of the Church, congratulate the Diocese upon these tokens of encouragement and growth.

Respectfully,

R. WILSON,
E. K. MILLER,
F. W. HILLIARD,
W. R. HAYWARD,
W. S. CRAFT.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barton, the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the following officers :

Treasurer of the Convention.—Mr. Thos. Hughlett.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.—I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, George R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Charles Lowndes and William S. Walker.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex officio* ; Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D. and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Registrar.—The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

Officers and Managers of the Home of Friendless Children.—(See report of Board of Managers in appendix.)

The Hon. R. B. Carmichael having signified to the Convention, by letter, his purpose to retire from the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the Convention, with thanks to the Hon. R. B. Carmichael for past efficient services, desires him to continue in his position of Trustee of the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of Dr. Mackall, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Convention are due and are hereby most heartily tendered to the citizens of Chestertown and vicinity, for the very cordial hospitality with which they have been received and entertained.

Resolved, That we with pleasure acknowledge the consideration of the Rector and Vestry of the Church for the use of the same, and for their attention to the convenience and comfort of the members of the Convention.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay the sexton of this church the sum of \$10.

The tellers having returned announced the following as having received the requisite number of votes, and therefore elected Deputies to the General Convention.

CLERGY.

LAITY.

The Rev. E. F. Dashiell, Mr. Wm. S. Walker,
The Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Dr. I. L. Adkins,
The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough.
The Rev. Robt. Wilson M. D.

There being a tie between Mr. S. S. McMaster and Dr R. C. Mackall, on motion of Mr. McMaster the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for—

Dr. R. C. Mackall.

Dr. I. L. Adkins, presented the following Communication from the Vestry of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, which was referred to the Committee on Canons :—

Copy of Resolution, passed at the meeting of the parishioners of St. Peter's Parish, Easter Monday, 1883.

“It is the sense of this congregation that the provision of Canon of the Convention of the Diocese stating who shall preside at the Easter meeting of the Congregation is in conflict with the vestry act; and that the delegate from this Parish be instructed to call the attention of the Convention to the matter and urge its repeal.”

SAM'L. A. HARRISON.

Secretary.

On motion the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 8 P. M.

Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. G. S. Gassner and F. W. Hilliard.

The President introduced to the Convention the Rev. E. H. C. Goodwin of the Diocese of New York, and the Ven.

Archdeacon Kirkby, now acting as Agent for the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States America.

The Rev. Mr. Goodwin addressed the Convention on the subject of Church work in the City of New York ; and the Archdeacon spoke of Missionary work among the Indians of British America.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven from the Committee on Parochial Assessments presented their report, and on motion of Dr. R. C. Mackall the resolution recommending the assessment of the Parishes was adopted. (See appendix.)

Mr. McMaster, from the Committee on Accounts presented the following report :

The Committee on Accounts beg leave to report that they have examined the report of the Treasurer of the Convention, and find that he had in hand at the time of his last report,	
June 1st, 1882, the sum of.....	\$ 298 45
And since that time has received the sum of.....	573 00
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	\$ 871 45
The amount disbursed by him as per vouchers.....	647 42
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	\$ 224 03
He also reports as having in hand, due Stepney Parish, June 1st, 1882	
	\$ 105 58
Interest on this sum to June 1st, 1883.....	6 04
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	\$ 111 62
The report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, shows that he had on hand at the time of his last report, June 1st, 1882.....	
	\$ 612 97
(Of this amount he invested in 6 per cent. loan secured by note	600 00
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	\$ 12 97

Amount brought forward.....	\$ 12 97
Amount received since, including dividend on stock and interest on note.....	531 98
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	\$ 544 95
Plus with the amount heretofore invested (say).....	1,800 00
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	\$2,344 95

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. S. McMASTER,
J. C. CROOKSHANK.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, from the Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the communication from the Vestry of St. Peter's Parish, reported as follows :

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution presented by the Lay Delegate from St. Peter's Parish, Talbot County, respectfully report :

That, in their judgment, there is no conflict between the provisions of the Vestry act and the Canon of last Convention ; inasmuch as the Canon simply provides for orderly proceedings, in strict compliance with the law of 1798.

THEO. P. BARBER,
ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
JAMES A. PEARCE.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. Schouler, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this Convention hereby expresses its sincere gratification at the presence of the venerable Archdeacon Kirkby, during its sessions, and the great pleasure and profit derived from his earnest and persuasive words.

The Rev. A. Batte, from the Committee on New Parishes, presented the following report, whereupon the resolution of the Committee was adopted.

Your Committee on the Admission of New Parishes, has had before ~~it~~ an application from certain gentlemen, residents of this and the Diocese ~~of~~ Maryland, for the organization of a separate congregation at Ocean City, under the name and style of St. Paul's by the Sea.

After a careful examination of their proposed articles of association ~~your~~ your Committee beg leave to submit the following resolution :

Resolved, That leave be granted said petitioners to organize said separate congregation.

But lest a precedent be made of their action in this matter, which may prove harmful or troublesome hereafter, your Committee further beg leave to put on record the exceptional circumstances under which this application is made.

First, Ocean City is a watering place on the sea side, where the worshippers are present only during the months of June, July and August.

Secondly, From the fact stated above it is not possible to organize under either the vestry act of 1798, or the Canons of the Diocese.

Thirdly, It is highly probable that a resident Rector will never be required.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. C. ROBERTS,
A. BATTE,
JAMES BROWNE.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, it was

Resolved, that the thanks of this Convention are tendered to the Choir of Emmanuel Church for the excellent music they have given us.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, the Secretary was authorized to have the usual number of copies of the Journal printed.

The Rev. Dr. Barber, moved that after the reading of the minutes and suitable devotions, the Convention adjourn.

By consent of the Convention the reading of the minutes was dispensed with ; and after prayer and benediction by the the Bishop, the Convention adjourned. *sine die*.

HENRY C. LAY,
President ex officio.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER.
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

W. T. Downs and J. A. Morgan, Wardens.

Dr. T. S. Reynolds, J. B. Bishop, J. T. Manlove, W. C. Satterfield, J. M. Wooters, Dr. T. Hackett, Charles R. Wooters, W. T. Dukes, Vestrymen.

Families, 33; Souls, 160; Baptisms of Infants, 10; Total, 10; Marriages, 2; Burials, 8; Communicants added, 1; died, 2; removed, 2; present number, 45; actually communicating, 42; Sunday School, 13, Teachers, 4; Scholars, 35.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$4.00; Conversion Fund, \$5.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$1.00; Home for Friendless Children, \$2.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$300; amount paid, \$428.51; Current Expenses, \$36.30; Improvements and Repairs, \$22 80.

Church Property.—Rectory valued at \$1500; Holy Trinity Church, 300; value, \$3000; St. Paul's Chapel, 150; value, \$3000; The Parish owns five acres of land, assessed at \$400.

It is pleasant to record that the members of this Parish have manifested greater interest in the success of our Holy work than in any former year, as is evidenced by a more generous expenditure of money and other material help for the support of the Rector, the meeting of current expenses and adding to the decency and comfort of the house of God.

The Guild is showing its wonted interest and is realizing more and more the helpfulness of such an organization.

GEORGE F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

George M. Russum and Geo. W. Richardson, Wardens.

G. M. Russum, P. W. Downes, I. W. Bryant, Charles Stevens, C. W. Byrne, W. G. Horsey, G. W. Richardson, R. G. Stewart, Vestrymen

Families, 20; Souls, 100; Baptisms, Adults, 1, Infants, 6, Total 7; Burials, 4; Communicants, added, 1; present number, 25; actually communicating, 25; Sunday School Teachers, 6; Scholars, 30.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans, \$2.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4.00; Convention Fund, \$5.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$5 00; Diocesan Missions, \$23.00; Home for Friendless Children, \$2.50.

For Parochial Uses —Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$300; amount paid, \$300; Current Expenses, \$67.52; Communion Alms for the Poor, \$5.81; Sunday School offerings, \$5.88.

Church Property.—One Church, Sitings 100, value, \$2,400; Insured for, \$1,600.

The Parish Guild has in bank nearly \$100.

This Parish cloths one child in the Home for Friendless Children in Easton.

There has been manifested, of late, in the congregation a feeling of considerable interest in the securing of a suitable rectory. But we are utterly unable to accomplish it without the aid of other Church people. One hundred dollars, house rent, is a very serious burden on us. Do help us.

SAMUEL D. HALL, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.

Wm. T. Price and John H. Blaine, Wardens.

Wm. T. Price, John H. Blaine, Benjamin P. Hanson, Joseph H. Steele, George Kibler, Byron Bouchelle, G. Oldham Massey and Robert H. Baker, Vestrymen.

Families, 17; Souls, 80; Baptisms, Adults, 1, Infants, 3, Total, 4; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 1; Burials, 1; Communicants, added, 6; present number, 20; Sunday School Teachers, 4; Scholars, 30.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$1.00.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$200; amount paid, \$200; Current Expenses, \$40.67; For building and furnishing of Church in Chesapeake City, \$1,084.25.

Church Property—St. Augustine Church, Sittings 100, value \$500; Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, Sittings 125, value \$4,450; Insured for \$3,520.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, was consecrated in Easter week. The prospect is now encouraging for the permanent revival of the Church in the venerable Augustine Parish. Service is held every Sunday afternoon, by the Rector. A Sunday School is maintained at St. Augustine.

WM. SCHOULER, *Rector*.

St. Mary Anne's or North Elk Parish.

Samuel L. Chamberlain and Samuel W. Day, Wardens.

Henry S. Coudon, George P. Whitaker, Samuel L. Chamberlain, John Mauldin, Joseph Coudon, William H. Simcoe, Samuel W. Day, Vestrymen.

Families, 68; Souls, 275; Baptisms, Adults, 4; Infants, 33; Total, 37; Confirmed, 9; Marriages, 10; Burials, 35; Communicants, added 9; Died 6; Removed, 2; Present number, 96; actually communicating, 73; Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 100; Parish School Teachers, 1; Scholars, 30.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Foreign, \$10.00; Indian, \$10.00; Colored, \$10.00; Jewish Missions, \$2.92.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$15.00; Convention Fund, \$12.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$11.00; Diocesan Missions, \$42.20; Home for Friendless Children, \$5.10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, Amount promised, \$700; Amount paid, \$700; Current Expenses, \$231.75; Improvements and Repairs, \$208; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor, \$131.25.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$5000; and Insured for \$2000; Sexton's house Insured at \$300; St. Mary's Church, Sittings 250, value \$6000; Insured for \$3000; St. Mark's Chapel, Sittings 100, value \$1800; St. John's in the Wilderness Chapel, Sittings 100, value \$800; Insured for \$500. The Parish owns 18 acres of land, assessed at \$3500.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector*.

North Sassafras Parish.

John C. Crookshank and David P. Davis, Wardens.

William Knight, Samuel E. Wills, George Biddle, David P. Davis, Wm. Ward, Henry Black, John C. Crookshank, Thomas C. Crookshank, Vestrymen.

Families, 20; Souls, 100; Baptisms, Infants, 18; Confirmed, 1; Marriages, 7; Burials, 13; Communicants, added, 4; died, 1; removed, 2; present number, 53; Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 66.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Foreign, \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund, \$40.00; Convention Fund, \$50.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$22.84; Diocesan Missions, \$50.00; Home for Friendless Children, \$35.00.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$1,000; amount paid, \$1,000; Current Expenses, \$522.65; Improvements and Repairs, \$184.87; Communion Alms, and Charities for the Poor, \$30.18.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; and Insured for \$2,500; St. Stephen's Church,ittings 200, value \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,ittings 175, value \$2,800; 300 acres of land, assessed at \$15,000.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

W. W. Henderson and Alfred Wetherill, Wardens.

W. W. Henderson, Alfred Wetherill, R. C. Mackall, M. D., R. G. Reese, John S. Wirt, H. P. Leslie, G. W. Cruikshank and John Partridge, Vestrymen.

Families, 58; Souls, 236; Baptisms, Infants, 15; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 4; Burials, 13; Communicants added, 9; died, 3; removed, 2; present number, 74; Sunday School Teachers, 7; Scholars, 40.

Contributions—For the Church at large, viz; General Missions, \$23.07; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans, \$6.00.

For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund, \$16.00; Convention Fund, \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$5.15; Diocesan Missions, \$50.55; Home for Friendless Children, \$13.41; For Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, \$160.00.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$650; amount paid, \$650; Current Expenses, \$151.70; Improvements and Repairs, \$137.61, to which add Memorial Bell, costing about \$400; Charities for the Poor, \$28.35; Sunday School offerings, \$10.27; Contribution for Missionary work within the Parish, \$20.00; For all other purposes, \$48.93.

Church Property—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; and Insured for \$3,000, Trinity Church, Sittings 200, value \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$356.

WILLIAM SCHOULER, *Rector.*

St. James' Church.

W. W. Hopkins and R. E. McClenahan, Wardens.

Jas. M. Touchstone, W. W. Davis, W. W. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan
R. C. Hopkins, John Morhlein, E. John Rinehart, Vestrymen.

Families, 30; Souls, 115; Baptisms, Adults, 1, Infants, 1, Total 2;
Burials, 1; Communicants, Present number, 43; Sunday School Teachers,
9; Scholars, 75.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$10.00; Con-
vention Fund, \$12.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$350.00;
amount paid, \$350.00; Current Expenses, \$142.31; Improvements
\$215.00; Sunday School Offerings, 21.02.

Church Property.—St. James' Church, Sittings, 200, value \$5,000;
Insured for \$3,000.

The above report was furnished by Mr. W. W. Hopkins, Sr. Warden.

The duties I have performed for the congregation of St. James, since
the Rector's resignation, May 1st, are included in my own report to the
Bishop.

JOHN MARTIN, *Minister in Charge.*

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Jno. E. Graham and Robert L. Spilman, Wardens.

Wm. W. Mace, Sam'l M. Travers, T. K. Carroll, J. H. Edmondson, John M. Willis, R. L. Spilman, Thomas W. Stapleforte, H. S. Carroll, Vestrymen.

Families, 20; Souls, 120; Baptisms, Infants, 3; Marriages, 1; Burials, 2; Communicants, died, 2; removed, 1; present number, 28; actually communicating, 28; Sunday School Teachers, 4; Scholars, 18.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Foreign, \$1.25; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans, \$1.13; Whittingham Memorial Church, \$5.00; Jews, \$0.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$4.00; Convention Fund, \$8.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$2.26; Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Home for Friendless Children, \$6.56.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$300; amount paid, \$127; current expenses, \$44 21; Improvements and Repairs, \$3.25; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor, \$1.26.

Church Property.—Church,ittings 360, value \$3,500; Insured for (Grace Church) \$3,000.

A new roof has been put upon Trinity Church, and a new gate to the burying ground. Further repairs are in contemplation. Friends elsewhere have contributed to this object. The Rector again expresses his gratitude for kindnesses received.

W. W. GREENE, *Rector.*

East New Market Parish.

T. J. Hicks, J. H. Wright, Dr. J. H. Thomas, J. W. Andrews, T. B. Sherman, E. S. Johnson, T. Leckey and S. J. Helsby, Vestrymen.

Families, 21; Souls, 106; Marriages, 1; Communicants added, 5; present number, 45; Sunday School Teachers, 4; Scholars, 20.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$7.00; Convention Fund, \$8.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$5.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$200; amount paid, \$200; Current Expenses \$20 00; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor, \$10 00.

WM. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

Great Choptank Parish.

Wm. R. Hayward and Edwin Dashiell, Wardens.

Alex. H. Bayley, Dan'l M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Thos. B. Steele, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Edward W. LeCompte, Edwin Dashiell, G. W. Mundy, Vestrymen.

Families, 90; Souls, 500; Baptisms, Infants, 24; Marriages, 4; Burials, 13; Communicants, added, 5; died, 4; removed, 7; present number, 184; Sunday School Teachers, 15; Scholars, 180.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions, \$33.45; Clergy Relief, \$5.00; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews, \$3.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$25.00; Convention Fund, \$30.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$7.40; Diocesan Missions, \$140.00; Home for Friendless Children, \$27.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid, \$800.00; Current Expenses, \$161.10; Improvements and Repairs, \$75.00; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor, \$180.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,300.00; and Insured for \$1,600.00; St. John's Chapel, value, \$900.00; Insured for \$800.00; St. James' Chapel, value, \$1,000.00; Insured for \$700.

There are several candidates for confirmation, awaiting the visitation of our Rt. Rev. Father; but the appointment was withdrawn of necessity, at the time of his sudden attack of illness.

Our dear, venerable Parish Church was destroyed by fire on Thanksgiving Day last. This great calamity has inevitably wrought some confusion in our Parish work. But in the frequent absences of the Rector

endeavoring to obtain contributions for a new and more commodious
ple, the faithful Assistant Minister, so long identified with the Parish,
sustained the usual services most acceptably. The grateful acknowledg-
s of Rector and parishioners, are sincerely tendered to our brother.

It is just, moreover, to recognize the warm sympathy and considerable
ings which the brethren, far and near, have proffered in our extreme

We heartily thank these kind helpers and invoke God's blessing
them.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAS. L. BRYAN, *Assistant Minister.*

Vienna Parish.

W. S. Craft, and James A. Higgins, Wardens.

M. Robertson, Dr. Eugene Hodson, John W. T. Webb, Noah J.
Kennerly, Thomas Higgins, Vestrymen.

Families, 15; Souls, 49; Baptisms, Infants, 1; Communicants, added
removed, 1; present number, 18; Sunday School Teachers, 4;
ars, 10.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$4.00; Conven-
Fund, \$5.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$2.60; Diocesan Missions,
2.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$80.00;
nt paid \$80.00; Communion Alms \$5.00.

WM. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes, Wardens.

ge B. Westcott, J. A. Wickes, W. S. Walker, W. N. E. Wickes, G.
W. T. Perkins, James A. Pearce, E. F. Perkins, S. Hepborn Blacki-
ton, Vestrymen.

Families, 32; Souls, 128; Baptisms, Infants, 11; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 3; Burials, 9; Communicants, added, 9; died, 1; present number, 97; Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 80.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions, \$4 Domestic, \$8.79; Foreign, \$2.55; Clergy Relief, \$19.90.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$7.00; Convention Fund, \$1.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$8.59; Diocesan Missions, \$98.43; Fund for Friendless Children, \$20.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,100; amount paid, \$1,109.75; Current Expenses, \$126.32; Improvement Repairs, \$800; Communion Alms, \$98.22.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,500; Emmanuel Church, valued at \$6,000; one Chapel, valued at \$400; the vested fund amounts to one bond, \$1,000.

During the past year a porch has been added to the Church, which very much improves its general appearance, and will add greatly to comfort and convenience.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rect*

North Kent Parish.

Wm. Cacy, L. M. Bean, Wardens.

Wm. Cacy, Samuel Hurlock, C. H. B. Massey, M. D., Stephen Boyer, Spear, L. M. Bean, Sam'l Cacy, C. S. Hurlock, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infants, 7; Confirmed, 1; Communicants, removed, 2; present number, 50; Marriages, 2; Burials, 1; Sunday School Teachers, 6; Scholars, 52.

Contributions, \$2469; all from necessity spent in the Parish, except \$20.00 for Convention Fund.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rect*

St Paul's Parish.

George Jessop and Harry Nichols, Wardens.

Stevenson Constable, Thos. A. Hulme, Jos. Raisin, Jos. Ringgold, J. Wheatley, George Bell, George Beck, James Rankin, Vestrymen

Families, 40; Souls, 130; Baptisms, Infants, 6; Marriages, 1; Burials, 4; Communicants, removed, 2; present number, 60; Sunday School Teachers, 6; Scholars, 25.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Foreign, African, \$1.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$5.78; Diocesan Missions, \$8.59; Home for Friendless Children, \$15.03.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$600.00; amount paid, \$600.00; Current Expenses, \$60.02; Improvements and Repairs, \$275.00; Communion Alms, \$44.80.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000.00; and Insured for \$1,875.00; One Church,ittings 250, value \$4,000.00; Insured for \$2,025.00. The Parish owns 50 acres of land.

HENRY WALL, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

Jno. C. Sutton and H. C. Wallis, Wardens.

J. W. Hurtt, N. W. Comegys, J. Medford Armstrong, D. J. Nowland, Henry Parr, G. W. Jacoby, Jno. W. Ireland, E. B. Pennington, Vestrymen.

Families, 65; Souls, 250; Baptisms, Infants, 10; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 3; Burials, 6; Communicants, added 12; died, 1; present number, 100; actually communicating, 85; Sunday School Teachers, 5; Scholars, 35

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Missions to the Jews, \$2.20; Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$2.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$20.00; Convention Fund, \$20.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$16.07; Diocesan Missions, \$33.40; Home for Friendless Children, \$28.58.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$700; Current Expenses, \$231.31; Improvements and Repairs, \$700.35; Communion Alms, \$17.26; Sunday School offerings, \$4.46.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,952; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Church,ittings 200, value \$3,253.50; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena, value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500. The Parish owns ten acres of land, estimated value, \$1.000.

This report does not claim to cover the space of one year, but dates from the first of December when the Rector entered upon duty. The Baptisms, Marriages and Burials include those performed by the Rector Emeritus since the last Convention. Among the improvements are included a new tower and bell for the Chapel in Galena, with new painting of the entire building. New heaters have also been put into the Rectory, and considerable improvements are being made in the Church yard.

R. HEBER MURPHY, *Rector.*
JNO. MARTIN, *Rect. Emer.*

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wm. P. Thompson and Jas. W. Goodhand, Wardens.

Ed. C. Legg, T. B. Eareckson, Wm. P. Thompson, J. H. Price, E. S. Skinner, Jas. W. Goodhand, Wm. B. Goodhand, Wm. P. Tanner, Vestrymen.

Families, 12; Souls, 100; Baptisms, Infants, 6; Marriages, 2; Burials, 5; Communicants, removed, 1; present number, 28; Sunday School Scholars, 30.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic, \$6.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$50.00; Convention Fund, \$40.00; Diocesan Missions, \$2.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$800.00; amount paid, \$800.00; Current Expenses \$30.00; Improvements and Repairs, (Belfry,) \$135.00; Communion Alms, and other charities for the poor, \$5.65.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; and insured for \$1,000; Christ Church,ittings 150, value \$2,500.

The farms held in trust by the Vestry of the Parish are increasing in value.

The new church building will be consecrated at an early day.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Parish.

Wm. Gould and W. Collins, Wardens.

Joseph E. George, A. J. Gadd, James Brown, Wm. D. Gould, Wm. H. Newnam, J. W. Appleford, R. J. Catlin, E. S. Valliant, Vestrymen.

Families, 44; Souls, 175; Baptisms, Infants, 1; Marriages, 4; Burials, 1; Communicants, added, 4; died, 1; present number, 87; Sunday School Teachers, 7, Scholars, 70.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic, \$1.50; Foreign, \$1.50; Clergy Relief, \$1.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$5.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$5.24; Diocesan Missions, \$18.25; Home for Friendless Children, \$4.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$550; amount paid for six months \$275; Current Expenses, \$48.78; Improvements and Repairs, \$4.00; For all other Purposes, \$97.02.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,125; Insured for \$750; St. Luke's Church,ittings 250, value \$5,850; Insured for \$3,900; St. Andrew's Chapel,ittings 125, value \$2,500; Insured \$1,700.

The present rector took charge of the parish, November 1st, 1882.

J. S. ELLIS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Parish.

Richard T. Earle and William B. Earle, Wardens.

R. T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, John B. Brown, Edwin H. Brown, Richard Hollyday, Wm. H. Warren, J. J. Hall. Chas. N. Clash, Vestrymen.

Families, 76; Souls, 360; Baptisms, Adults, 2; Infants, 20; Total, 22; Confirmed, 6; Marriages, 4; Burials, 14; Communicants, added, 11; died, 5; removed, 7; present number, 148; Sunday School Teachers, 7; Scholars, 49; Parish School Teachers, 2; Scholars, 28.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions, \$60.00; Indian, \$34.75; Clergy Relief, \$5.00; Miscellaneous, \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$33.00; Convention Fund, \$40.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$15.42; Diocesan Missions, \$78.73; Home for Friendless Children, Thanksgiving offering, \$19.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$1,000; amount paid, \$1,000.00; Current Expenses, \$311.50; Improvements and

Repairs, \$75.44; Communion Alms, \$87.89; For Sunday School purposes, \$69.55; Sunday School offerings, \$47.45; For all other Purposes, including presents to Rector, \$75.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,200; St. Paul's Church,ittings 350; value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

Besides the above report of expenses, there was an offering last Easter Sunday, amounting to \$612.14. As this offering was for indebtedness, it cannot be included in the above.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector.*

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

J. P. Davidson and H. R. Hopkins M. D., Wardens.

Hon. Richard B. Carmichael, C. H. Tilghman, J. P. Davidson, Charles Cockey, M. D., Tilghman Paca, W. W. Rose, H. R. Hopkins M. D., and C. W. McConnor, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Infants, 9; Confirmed, 11; Marriages, 4; Burials, 6; Communicants, added, 11; died, 2; removed, 1; present number, 72.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic, \$5 00; Foreign, \$5.00; Indian, \$1.77; Clergy Relief, \$2.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$10.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$7.00; Diocesan Missions, \$31.10; Home for Friendless Children, \$11.69.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$500.00; amount paid, \$551.75; Current Expenses, \$51.66; Improvements and Repairs, \$40.00; Communion Alms, \$14.00; For all other purposes, \$5.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200.00; Church, Chapel,ittings, 350, value \$2,600.00. The Parish owns $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector.*

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Thomas Williams and Charles Curtis, Wardens.

John S. Sudler, Edmund J. Davy, Thos. Williams, Chas. Wetherill, Chas. Curtis, Baldwin Hufty, Alfred Turpin, J. Miles, Vestrymen.

Families, 58; Souls, 235; Baptisms, Infants, 7; Marriages, 4; Burials, 2; Communicants, died, 1; present number, 77; Sunday School Teachers, 9; Scholars, 35.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Foreign, \$5.00; Clergy Relief, \$15.10; To the Jews, \$2 50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$8.00; Convention Fund, \$10 00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$2.08; Diocesan Missions, \$21.42; Home for Friendless Children, \$4.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Current expenses, \$40.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; and Insured for \$600; St. Stephen's Church, Sittings 200, value \$1,500; Insured for \$1,000; St. Mark's Chapel, Sittings 100, value \$200; St. Paul's Church, Sittings 200, value \$1,000.

I entered upon my duties in this Parish, the latter part of last April, therefore, the above report dates from that time.

OLIVER H. MURPHY, *Deacon in Charge.*

Somerset Parish.

John Woolford and P. Mark Smith, Wardens.

Isaac S. Atkinson, William J. Brittingham, H. H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, William H. Gale, Omar A. Jones, Robert J. Waller, Levin Woolford, Vestrymen.

Families, 88; Souls, 375; Baptisms, Infants 16; Confirmed, 1; Marriages, 9; Burials, 13; Communicants, added, 7; died, 7; removed, 5; present number, 186; Sunday School Teachers, 12; Scholars, say 75.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions for the Jews, \$9.00; Domestic, \$11.00; Indian, (Special) \$10 15; Increase of Ministry, \$50 00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$33.00; Convention Fund, \$40.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$12 00; Diocesan Missions, \$54 21; Home for Friendless Children, \$26.35.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, paid \$733.25; Current Expenses, \$230.00; Improvements and Repairs, including Font and Memorial Window, \$440.00; Communion Alms, \$59.30; Other Purposes, \$50.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$2,000; and insured for \$1,500; St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne, Sittings 300, value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saint's Church, Monie, value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$5,523.39.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector.*

Wicomico Parish.

I. D. Costen and Ernest Pusey, Wardens.

Wm. E. Jones, Wm. I. Anderson, Jno. W. Barnett, Harry T. Costen, Alexander Green, M. F. Bounds, George Bounds, Elias Bailey, Vestrymen.

Families, 21; Souls, 120; Baptisms, Infants, 2; Confirmed, 3; Burials, 1; Communicants, added, 5; died, 1; present number, 26; Sunday School Teachers, 8; Scholars, 60.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$4.00; Diocesan Missions, \$5.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$100.00; amount paid, \$68.00; Communion Alms, \$4.94.

Church Property.—Grace Church, Sittings 120, value, \$1,500.00.

F. B. ADKINS, *Rector.*

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt, Wardens.

S. S. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, John E. Hayward, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, Geo. T. Truitt, J. W. Dougherty, Geo. W. Bailey, Vestrymen.

Baptisms, Adults, 1; Infants, 19; Total, 20; Confirmed, 4; Marriages, 1; Burials, 5; Communicants, added, 8; died, 1; present number, 116; Sunday School Teachers, 8; Scholars, 100.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions, \$7.85; Conversion of Jews, \$2.16; New York Bible and Prayer Book Society, \$3.62.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$15.00; Convention Fund, \$18 00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$4.65; Diocesan Missions, \$27.20; Home for Friendless Children, \$27.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Current Expenses, \$148.25; New Organ, \$600.00; Improvements and Repairs, \$50.00.

Church Property—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250, value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,ittings 150, value \$1,000; School House and Lot, \$100.00; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$445.47.

F. W. HILLIARD, *Rector.*

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

John T. Harrison and George W. Tyler, Wardens.

John C. Adams, George W. Tyler, James H. Covey, John T. Harrison, Eugene Denny, Arthur K. Easter, William Willis, William Caulk, Vestrymen.

Families, 61; Souls, 300; Baptisms, Infants, 13; Confirmed, 3; Marriages, 3; Burials, 6; Communicants, added, 6; died, 1; removed, 10; present number, 87; Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 60.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions, \$30.00; Clergy Relief, \$10.00

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$17.00; Convention Fund, \$14 00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$8.20; Diocesan Missions, \$40.54; Home for Friendless Children, \$35.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800, amount paid \$800, Current Expenses, \$200; Improvements and Repairs, \$300; Communion Alms, \$31.04; Easter present for Rector, \$63.00; For all other Purposes, \$50.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000 Insured for \$2,000; Christ Church,ittings 350, value \$15,000; Insured for \$10,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak, value \$1,000; Holy Innocent's Chapel, Clayborne, value \$800; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$3,500.

This Parish has suffered seriously this year from removals, having lost about thirty members, of whom, ten were devout Communicants, and zealous in Parish work. The new Church has been paid for, and was consecrated to the service of Almighty God, on All Saint's day, November 1st, 1882, the Bishop and many of the Clergy of the Diocese, rejoicing with us on that occasion. The Rector cannot commend too highly the promptness of his Parishioners in paying off their last indebtedness.

E. F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

George W. Minnick and Julius A. Johnson, M. D., Wardens.

Sam'l Hambleton, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Wm. H. Smith, John C. Earle, M. D., M. T. Goldsborough, Dr. Jos. M. Chamberlaine, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. R. Martin, Vestrymen.

Families, 74; Souls, 450; Baptisms, Adults, 1; Infants, 18; Total, 19; Confirmed, 4; Marriages, 4; Burials, 12; Communicants, added, 24; died, 4; removed, 14; present number, 156; actually communicating, during the past year, 120; Sunday School Teachers, 7; Scholars, 100.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions, \$19 67; Domestic, \$2.00; Indian, \$10 37.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$50.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$36 85; Diocesan Missions, \$152.21; Home for Friendless Children, \$107.38; New Church to be built at Cambridge, \$100.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$1,200; amount paid, \$1,075 00; Current Expenses, \$200.00; Improvements and Repairs, \$150.00; Communion Alms, \$246 04; Organist and Choir, \$400.00; For all other purposes, \$265.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,000.00; Insured for \$3,000.00; Christ Church,ittings 450, value \$16,000.00; Insured for \$12,000.00; Sunday School Room, value \$2,000.00.

Seven of the baptisms above reported, were by Rev. F. B. Adkins, with consent of the Rector. The Ladies' Church Aid Society has placed over the pulpit, a very handsome brass reflector of unique design and

remarkable efficiency, at a cost of \$80.00. The last collections for the debt of the Parish, have been made and applied, and the Parish is now free.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector.*

Whitemarsh Parish.

John W. Martin and Dr. Alex. Matthews, Wardens.

William A. Kirby, John Warner, James T. Bartlett, Robert Bartlett, Joseph B. Seth, James H. Benson, J. W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews, Vestrymen.

• Families, 61; Souls, 285; Baptisms, Infants, 9; Confirmed, 4; Marriages, 5; Burials, 2; Communicants, added, 6; died, 1; removed, 3; present number, 118; actually communicating during the past year, 98; Sunday School Teachers, 9; Scholars, 35.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic, \$6.00; Foreign, \$29.66; Indian, Value of box sent Rev. Mr. Enmegabowh, \$67.00; Clergy Relief, \$3 00; Church at White Earth Reservation, \$25.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$20 00; Convention Fund, \$25.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$36.31; Diocesan Missions, \$64.40; Home for Friendless Children, \$53 00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$600.00; amount paid, \$613.47; Current Expenses, \$306.69; Improvements and Repairs, \$480.00; Communion Alms, \$55.00; For all other purposes, \$150.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500.00; Insured for \$1,500.00; St. Paul's Church, Trappe, Sittings 250, value \$3,500.00; Insured for \$2,500.00; Grace Chapel, Oxford, value \$1,200.00; Insured for \$1,000.00.

The greater part of the amount reported for improvements was expended in putting stained glass windows in the Parish Church. Only one window is to be changed still; and this will soon be done by a beautiful memorial. In this work we have very gratefully received help from some friends abroad, as also in providing new surplice and an appropriate Communion set for Grace Chapel.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector.*

Trinity Cathedral.

J. F. Bateman and James P. Dawson, Wardens.

H. E. Bateman, J. F. Bateman, James P. Dawson, Thomas K. Robson,
— Winchester, Trustees.

Families, 25; Souls, 115; Baptisms, Infants, 5; Confirmed, 1; Burials, 5; Communicants, added, 6; died, 2; removed, 1; present number 46; Sunday School Teachers, 8; Scholars, 51.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—For the Jews, \$3.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund, \$8.00; Convention Fund, \$10.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$11.51; Diocesan Missions, Home for Friendless Children, \$42.85.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$1,200.00; amount paid, \$600; Current Expenses, \$56.00; Improvements and Repairs, Easter offering for Clergy house, \$118; Communion Alms, Miss Louisa Nabb's legacy to the Bishop, in trust for four charities, \$390.00; for all other purposes, special, through the Bishop, \$60.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,750.00; Insurance, \$1,500.00; (Trinity Chapel, Holy Cross Chapel,) value \$1,000; for \$600; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$300.

THE BISHOP, *Rector.*

REV. J. W. LARMOUR, *Assist.*

All Saints' Parish.

Geo. R. Goldsborough and A. Powel Neal, Wardens.

Harrison Austin, J. McD. Goldsborough, J. Thomas Kirby, C. Goldsborough, Hedge Thomson, Chas. H. Rose, M. D., Willis, Thomas Hopkins, Sr., Vestrymen.

Families, 46; Souls, 211; Baptisms, Adults, 1; Infants, 20; Confirmed, 7; Marriages, 2; Burials, 7; Communicants, added, 2; died, 2; present number, 68; actually communicating during year, 40; Sunday School Teachers, 2; Scholars, 30.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions, Clergy Relief, \$23.67; For the Society for the Conversion of the World, \$5.52.

For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund, \$8.00; Convention Fund, \$14.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$25.57; Diocesan Missions, Home for Friendless Children, \$101.51.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,200.00; amount paid, \$600.00; Current Expenses, \$138.50; Improvements and Repairs, \$122.00; Communion Alms, \$41.23.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,539.50; Insurance, \$2,000.00; All Saint's Church,ittings 150, value \$8,000.00; Insurance, \$6,000.00; The Parish owns 33 acres of land.

There was a mistake made in last year's report in counting the number of communicants and hence, the apparent decrease from that report. The Sexton's house has been moved to a more desirable location, and has been added to, at a cost of \$100.00. Lamps have been placed in the Church, and during the fall, night services were maintained with very encouraging congregations for the most part made up of "outsiders."

The services as usual have been kept up in the Grangers' Hall, at Cordova with a fair attendance. The congregations on Friday evenings during Lent were very encouraging. There is some prospect of building a chapel.

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

Miles River Parish.

C. Howard Lloyd and Com. C Lowndes, Wardens.

T. H. Oliver, J. H. Wheeler, Francis Barry, C. F. Eastman, Robert Hugh, D. C. Trimble, Vestrymen.

Families, 13; Souls, 87; Baptisms Infants, 19; Confirmed, 2; Marriages, 3; Communicants, added, 12; removed, 4; present number, 39; actually communicating during the past year, (average) 20.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Clergy Relief, \$4.50; Church Building Fund, \$3.06.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund; \$16.00; Convention Fund, \$14.00; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund, \$5.00; Diocesan Missions, \$43.63; Home for Friendless Children, \$7.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$600; amount paid, \$600.00; Current Expenses, \$35.00; Improvements and Repairs, \$51.45; Communion Alms, \$41.77; For all other purposes, \$84.00.

F. B. CROZIER, *Rector.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Dr. Eugene W. Humphreys and Elijah J. Parsons, Wardens.

John White, Thomas F. J. Rider, Isaac S. Adams, Lafayette P. Humphreys, Charles F. Holland, Randolph Humphreys, Charles H. Wood, William A. Trader, Vestrymen.

Families, 102; Souls, 410; Baptisms, Adults, 1; Infants, 15; Total, 16; Marriages, 1; Burials, 15; Communicants, added, 8; died, 5; removed, 5; present number, 151; Sunday School Teachers, 18; Scholars, 130.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—Domestic, \$18 23.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$30.00; Diocesan Missions, \$25.00; Home for Friendless Children, \$12 00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$1,000 — amount paid, \$1,000; Current Expenses, \$272.08; Improvements and Repairs, \$250.00; Communion Alms, \$35.16; For all other purposes, \$150.00.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500.00; and Insured for \$1,500.00; St. Peter's Church, Sitings 350, value \$5,500.00; Insured for \$3,000.00; The Parish owns 11 acres of land, assessed at \$1,000.00; Invested Fund amounts to \$368.69.

GEORGE W. BOWNE, *Rector.*

Spring Hill Parish.

Ezekiel Hitch and John F. Collier, Wardens.

J. A. Taylor and James Jones, Assistant Wardens.

Wm. Howard, V. F. Collier, William Bennett, Albert L. Jones, Geo. Hitch — Thos. J. Turpin, Horace Venables, James Waller, Vestrymen.

Families, 100; Souls, 400; Baptisms, Adults, 5; Infants, 2; Total, 7; Confirmed, 5; Marriages, 2; Burials, 3; Communicants, added, 5; died, 1; present number, 139; Sunday School Teachers, 5; Scholars, 25.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$12.00; Diocesan Missions, \$11.25; Home for Friendless Children, \$5 00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$275 amount paid \$275; Current Expenses \$15.00; Communion Alms, \$17.13.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$1,200; St. Paul's Church Sitings 500, value \$4,000; St. Philips Chapel, Quantico, value \$2,000 The Parish owns one acre of land.

Since the last report a rectory has been begun, and is now nearly completed. The six hundred dollars, reported last year as an invested fund has been applied to its construction.

F. B. ADKINS, *Rector.*

Stepney Parish.

Robert Walter and William Dashiell, Wardens.

Robert Walter, Levin T. Walter, Geo. D. Walter, John Riall, Frank Waller, John Willing, Littleton Leatherbury, and Wm. Dashiell, Vestrymen.

Families, 25; Souls, 125; Confirmed, 3; Communicants added, 4; present number, 19.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Home for Friendless Children, \$1 42.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$100.00; amount paid, \$100.00; Current Expenses, \$5.07; Communion Alms, \$3.62.

Church Property.—St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin, value \$1,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$105.38.

F. B. ADKINS, *Rector.*

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallow's Parish

John J. Collins and James D. Hack, Wardens.

Dr. Geo. W. Bishop, Thos. D. Purnell, Geo. M. Upshur, Oliver D. Collins, Thos. J. Johnson, Horace H. Payne, Ed. F. Boehm, Benjamin T. Wooley, Vestrymen.

Families, 22; Souls, 220; Baptisms of Adults, 1; Infants, 14; Total, 15; Marriages, 6; Burials, 7; Communicants, added 2; removed, 2; present number, 82; actually communicating during the past year, 50; Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 70.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions, \$13.70; Foreign, \$5.00; Clergy Relief, \$3.68.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund, \$18.00; Diocesan Missions, \$2.42; Home for Friendless Children, \$6.21.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$650.00; amount paid, \$600.00; Current Expenses, \$75.00; Improvements and Repairs, Chapel of Holy Cross, \$350.00; Communion Alms, \$13.20; Improving Rectory, \$60.00; Bishop Whipple, \$5.60.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,500 00; All Hallow's Church, Sittings 350, value 3,000.00; St. John's Chapel, Key Grange, value \$25.00; Holy Cross Chapel, Stockton, value \$600.00; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$4,250.00.

Both assessments were paid last year though in the Journal that for Convention Fund is noted as delinquent. Now collecting for Episcopal Fund for this year.

A. BATTE, *Rector.*

Worcester Parish.

John R. Purnell and John S. Purnell, Wardens.

John S. Purnell, W. S. Purnell, H. C. Hudson, Wm. Showell, B. Jones Taylor, John F. Jones, John T. Keas, and Dr. T. J. Holloway, Vestrymen.

Families, 28; Souls, 100; Burials, 4; Communicants, present number, 60; Sunday School Teachers, 6; Scholars, 28.

Contributions—For the Church at large.—General Missions, \$14.54; Clergy Relief, \$5.65.

For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions, \$32.18; Home for Friendless Children, \$3.89.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, \$600.00; amount paid, \$600.00; Current Expenses, \$54.84; For Sunday School, \$9.09.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church, Sittings 200, value \$2,500.00; Insured for \$1,250.00; St. Martin's Chapel, value \$1,800.00.

The Rector, Rev. H. T. Lee, died in February, and the above were made out as well as the records could be deciphered by the Treasurer and Warden. John R. Purnell, Warden.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

FAULKLAND, DEL., June 1st, 1883.

RT. REV. H. C. LAY, D. D.

Since July last, I have been sojourning, with your approval, at St. John's School, Faulkland, Delaware, having charge of the first year's theological studies of a Candidate for Orders of the Diocese of Easton. During that time, notwithstanding increased physical infirmity, I have preached in the School Chapel seventeen times, administered the Holy Communion twenty-two times, and baptized one infant.

E. J. STEARNS.

WILMINGTON, DEL., June 1st, 1883.

RT. REV. H. C. LAY, D. D., Easton, Md.

Dear Bishop:—Since my resignation of Shrewsbury Parish, in June last, on account of ill health and infirmities of age, I have been engaged to the best of my strength, in the various duties of the ministry as follows:

In Shrewsbury Parish until the arrival of the present Rector, December 1st.

In I. U. Parish, occasionally, from beginning of October.

In several churches in the city of Wilmington, and, at the present time, supplying St. James' congregation, at Port Deposit, which is without a Rector.

The public acts of my ministry during the Convention year include: Infant Baptisms, 10; Funerals, 8; Marriages, 1; Holy Communion, (1 private), 19; Sermons and Lectures, 70.

My health has somewhat improved.

Very respectfully and truly,

JOHN MARTIN.

I would respectfully report to the Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, that my services from Easter 1883, to date, May 28th, 1883, have been daily A. M. and P. M., Prayer with a sermon on Sundays. With the consent of the Bishop I serve at the Hannah More Academy, Reisterstown, Md., the Bishop of Maryland having given consent thereto.

P. DU GUE TRAPIER.

June 5th, 1883.

The undersigned respectfully reports, that, for the past Convention year, he has been engaged in work connected with the Press, permanent physical disability, preventing him from performing any parochial work.

E. G. PERRYMAN.

TABLE I.—Statistics of Persons.

Parish or Congregation	Fam- ilies.	Individ- uals.	BAPTISMS.		Confirmations.	Marriages.	Funerals.	COMMUNICANTS.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		PARISH SCHOOLS.	
			Adult.	Infant.				Added.	Died.	Re- moved.	Present memb's	Teach- ers.	Schol- ars.	Teach- ers.	Schol- ars.
St. John's	33	100	1	10	2	2	8	1	2	2	45	4	35		
St. Mary's Whitechapel	20	100	1	6	1	1	4	6	1	2	25	4	30		
Alexander	17	80	1	3	1	1	1	4	1	1	20	4	30		
North Elm	68	275	4	33	9	1	35	9	6	2	96	10	100	1	30
N. Sassen	20	100	1	18	1	7	13	4	1	2	53	10	66		
Trinity, Cecil	58	220	1	15	2	4	13	9	3	2	75	7	40		
St. James	30	115	1	1			1				43				
Dorchester	20	120									31				
East New Market	21	106			1			5			45	4	20		
Vienna	15	40			4	4	13	6	4	7	18	4	10		
Great Choptank	30	500		24	4	3	9	9	1		184	15	180		
Choptank	32	128		11	5	3					97	10	80		
I. U. *	12	60		7	1			2		6	50	6	60		
North Kent	25	200		6	1	1	4	12	1	2	101	5	35		
St. Paul's, Kent	40	130		10	5	3	5				28	4	30		
Shrewsbury	45	250		16	6	4					87	7	70		
Christ Ch., Kent Island	12	100		1		4		4	1		148	7	49		28
St. Luke's, Q. A.	44	175	1	20	6	4	14	11	2	1	77	9	35		
St. Paul's, Q. A.	70	360	2	9	11	4	2				186	12	75		
Wye	25	125		7	1	9	13	7	7	5	24	8	60		
Coventry	58	225		16	3	1	6	8	1		176	10	60		
Swanton	88	375		2	4	3	8	4	1		87	10	100		
Wicomico	21	120		2	3	1	5	5	1		118	9	35		
Pocomoke	80	228		19	4	3	12	24	4	3	118	8	51		
St. Michael's	61	360	1	13	3	4	6	6	2	3	68	2	30		
St. Peter's	74	450	1	18	4	5	7	7	2		39	18	130		
Whitmarsh	25	285		5	1	2	5	12	6	4	151	5	15		
Cathedral	25	115		20	2	1	1	8	1	3	139	5	15		
All Saints	46	211	1	19	2	1	3	4	6	2	19	10	70		
Miles River	13	87		15	5	2	1	4	2		84	10	28		
Salisbury	102	410	1	2	3	6	7	2			60	6	18		
Spring Hill	140	400	5	2	3	1	4								
Spring	25	195		14	3	6	4								
St. Andrew's	22	220	1												
All Hallows'	28	100													
Worcester	28	100													
Totals	1537	7140	21	333	80	90	217	190	51	81	2583	224	184	3	58

*Parochial Reports supplemented.

†See Bishop's Address.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	CHURCH AT LARGE.						DIOCESAN.					PAROCHIAL.				
	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Indian Missions.	Missions to Jews.	Increase of Ministry.	Clergy Relief.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Clergy Relief.	Diocesan Missions.	Home of Friendless.	Parish Expenses.	Improve- ments.	Communion Alms.	Other Purposes.
St. John's.....							2 00	4 00	5 00	1 00	23 00	2 00	464 81	22 80		
St. Mary's W. Ch.....								4 00	5 00	5 00		2 50	397 62	1 084 25	5 81	5 88
Augustine.....								15 00	12 00	1 00	12 20	5 10	240 77	1 084 25	131 25	
N. Elk.....								40 00	50 00	2 84	50 00	35 00	1 522 06	184 87	24 18	
N. Sasquas.....							6 00	16 00	20 00	5 15	50 00	13 41	802 70	337 61	28 35	80 30
Trinity, Cecil.....	23 07							10 00	12 50	2 50	50 00	25 00	102 31	215 10		21 02
St. James.....							1 13	4 00	8 00	2 25	25 00	6 56	171 21	3 25	1 26	
Dorchester.....								7 00	8 00	5 00	140 00	27 00	98 00	75 00	10 00	
E. N. Market.....	33 45				3 50		5 00	25 00	30 00	2 00	5 00		98 00	75 00	10 00	687 85
Great Choptank.....								4 00	5 00	2 60	5 00		1 235 07	800 00	5 00	
Vienna.....	49 96	8 79	2 55				19 96	7 00	16 00	8 50	98 43	20 50	1 235 07	800 00	98 22	
Chester.....													2 449 00			4 00
N. Kent.....								20 00	20 00	5 75	8 50	15 03	980 02	275 00	44 80	
St. Paul's, Kent.....			1 00					20 00	20 00	16 07	32 40	25 58	931 31	700 35	17 26	6 46
Shrewsbury.....					2 20			50 00	40 00		9 50		930 70	135 00	5 65	
Christ Church, Kent Is.....	6 00												932 75	75 44		97 02
St. Luke's Q. A.....				34 75			1 00	32 00	40 00	15 42	78 73	19 00	1 311 50	75 44	87 89	197 00
St. Paul's Q. A.....	60 00			1 77			5 00	10 00	10 00	7 00	31 10	11 69	693 41	40 00	14 00	5 00
Wye.....							2 00	8 00	10 00	2 08	21 12	4 00	40 00			
Coventry.....					2 50		15 00	33 00	40 00	12 00	54 21	26 35	983 25	440 00		50 90
Somerset.....			11 00	10 15	9 00	50 00							68 00			
Wicomico.....								15 00	18 00	4 65	27 20	27 00	148 25	650 00	4 94	3 62
Pocomoke.....	7 85				2 16			17 00	14 00	8 29	40 44	35 00	1 000 00	130 00	84 04	148 00
St. Michael's.....	30 00						10 00	20 00	20 00	36 83	152 21	107 38	1 675 00	150 00	246 04	268 00
St. Peter's.....	19 67			10 37				20 00	25 00	36 31	64 40	53 00	922 16	190 00	55 00	150 00
White Marsh.....		6 00	29 66	92 00			3 00	20 00	25 00	36 31	64 40	53 00	922 16	190 00	38 76	450 00
Cathedral.....					3 66			8 00	10 00	11 51	51 25	42 85	556 00	118 00	41 23	
All Saints.....	35 54				5 52		23 67	8 00	14 00	25 37	76 52	101 51	738 50	122 00	41 77	87 06
Miles River.....							4 50	16 00	30 00	5 00	43 00	12 00	1 273 08	250 00	35 16	130 00
Salisbury.....		18 23											290 00		17 13	
Spring Hill.....													1 43	105 07		
Stepney.....													1 43	105 07		
All Hallow's.....	13 70		5 00				3 68		18 00		2 45	6 21	675 00	410 00	13 20	516 00
Worcester.....	14 54						5 65				32 18		666 86			9 09
Totals.....	\$287 57	\$468 52	\$55 96	\$149 04	\$31 96	\$50 00	\$105 53	\$3 127 18	\$60 50	\$44 95	\$1 522 19	\$3 229 29	\$23 220 81	\$7 487 06	\$1 300 36	\$2 943 89

Contributions for all purposes : General, \$749 96 ; Diocesan, \$9,014 11 ; Parochial, \$31,988 28 ; Other purposes, \$2,939 20. Making in all, \$44,640 15. These totals are taken from the reports of the Diocesan Treasurers.

Contributions for all purposes: General, \$748 53; Diocesan, \$9 014 11; Parochial, \$31,985 26; Other purposes, \$2,939 20. Making in all, \$44,640 15.

These totals are taken from the reports of the Diocesan Treasurers.

TABLE III.—Statistics of Buildings and Property.

PARISH.	RECTORY.		CHURCHES.				*GLEBE.		INVESTED FUND.
	Value.	Insurance.	Num-ber.	Value.	Insurance.	Sittings.	No. Acres.	Value.	
St. John's.....	\$1,500 00		2	\$6,000 00		450	5	\$400 00	
St. Mary's W. Chapel.....			1	2,400 00	\$1,600 00	100			
Augustine.....			2	7,000 00		225			
N. Elk.....	5,000 00	\$2,500 00	2	8,000 00	3,800 00	450	18	3,400 00	
N. Sasafra.....	3,000 00	2,500 00	2	8,800 00	6,000 00	375	300	15,000 00	\$355 00
Trinity, Cecil.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	1	4,000 00	3,000 00	200			
St. James.....			1	5,000 00	3,000 00	200			
Dorchester.....			2	3,500 00	3,000 00	375			150 00
E. N. Market.....	2,300 00	1,000 00	1	1,000 00		150			
Great Choptank.....			2	1,950 00	1,500 00	300			
Vienna.....	1,500 00		1	500 00		100			1,000 00
Chester.....			1	6,400 00		365			
N. Kent.....	4,000 00		2	3,000 00		400			
St. Paul's, Kent.....	3,007 00	1,575 00	1	4,000 00	2,025 00	250			
Shrewsbury.....	1,952 00	1,464 00	1	4,850 00	3,940 00	550	50		
Christ Church, Kent Island.....	1,800 00	1,000 00	2	2,500 00		150	10	1,000 00	
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	1,125 00	1,750 00	1	7,950 00	5,300 00	375			
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	1,800 00	1,200 00	1	6,000 00	4,000 00	350			1,400 00
Wye.....	1,200 00		2	2,600 00		350	3½		
Coventry.....	1,000 00	600 00	2	2,200 00		500			5,523 39
Somerset.....	2,004 00	1,500 00	2	9,000 00	5,000 00	450			
Wicomico.....	1,800 00	1,250 00	1	1,500 00		120			
St. Michael's.....	4,000 00	2,000 00	2	6,100 00	3,000 00	400			445 47
St. Peter's.....	2,500 00	3,000 00	1	16,800 00	11,800 00	500			3,500 00
Whitemarsh.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	1	18,000 00	12,000 00	450			
Cathedral.....	2,750 00	1,500 00	2	4,700 00	3,600 00	350			
All Saints.....	2,500 00	2,000 00	1	1,000 00	5,000 00	200			300 00
Miles River.....			1	5,000 00	6,000 00	150	33		
St. Matthews.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	1	5,500 00	3,000 00	350			308 60
Salisbury.....	1,200 00		2	6,000 00		600	11	1,000 00	
Spring Hill.....			1	1,000 00		150			105 38
Stepney.....			3	5,700 00		350			4,250 00
All Hallows.....	1,500 00		2	4,900 00	1,250 00	300			
Worcester.....			1	1,000 00					
St. Paul's by the Sea.....			1	1,000 00					
Totals.....	\$54,977 00	\$30,230 00	58	\$180,200 00	\$82,315 00	10,471	430½	\$24,800 00	\$16,908 00

*Note.—There is no information given of the value of the land held by Christ Church Parish, St. Paul's, Kent, Wye, and All Saints.

APPENDIX.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

Again we present our Annual Report which of necessity varies little from the majority of those preceeding it. Much time and money have been expended in procuring a supply of pure water for the Home, and we trust the object is, at last, satisfactorily accomplished.

There was considerable sickness among the children during the summer, and in August we met with the loss by death of the Matron, Miss L. D. Nabb. The death of one of the Managers occurred about the same time.

It was our wish to make an addition and some needed improvements to the building with the means placed at our disposal by the appropriation from Legislature. Unavoidable delays prevented us from doing more last fall than putting up a coal and wood house. All is in readiness now, however, and we hope to accomplish it shortly. The number of children is nineteen, none having been put out and none received during the year. The offerings at Thanksgiving were most liberal.

Annexed is a list of provisions we received.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*

D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LIST OF BARRELS AND BOXES RECEIVED.

One barrel of flour—Mr. Holt of Hillsborough.

From All Saint's, at Thanksgiving—one large wagon load of provisions of all kinds.

North Sassafras Parish—one box of provisions.

Trinity Chapel—vegetables and fruit.

St. Paul's Parish, Kent Co.—one box of provisions and groceries.

Whitemarsh Parish—vegetables.

St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.—provisions and groceries.

From an unknown friend—one barrel of flour.

St. Michael's Parish—vegetables and sundries.

Dorchester Parish—one box of bacon, groceries and vegetables.

Somerset Parish—one box of canned fruit and groceries.

Trinity Parish, Elkton—one box of groceries and dry goods.

St. John's Chapel, Choptank Parish—one box of bacon, groceries, poultry and vegetables.

Ladies Aid Society, of East New Market—one box of bacon, groceries and sundries.

St. Paul's Parish, Kent Co., in December—one box of pies, bacon, sausage and sundries.

Princess Anne, Somerset Parish—one box of canned and dried fruit &c.

Chestertown, at Christmas—box of cakes, candy, books and toys.

Coventry Parish—one box of bacon, groceries, dried fruit, soap &c.

Mrs. C. C. Wetherill, Somerset Co—box of groceries.

LIST OF PARISHES WHERE CHILDREN ARE CLOTHED.

St. Mary Anne's Parish, Great Choptank Parish, Shrewsbury Parish, Chester Parish, Berlin, Princess Anne, North Sassafras Parish, Salisbury, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County, Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent County, and Whitemarsh Parish, each clothe one child. Three children are clothed in St. Michael's Parish; two ladies of Baltimore clothe a child; two ladies of Wye Parish, one child; Christ Church Guild, Denton, one child; a lady of St. James' Church, Port Deposit, one child.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

MRS. HENRY C. LAY, *President.*

" G. R. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Vice President.*

" J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer.*

" M. M. DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

" I. C. W. POWELL, *Recording Secretary.*

MANAGERS.

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" I. P. DAWSON.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

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MATRON.

Miss S. PHILLIPS.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Miss M. PHILLIPS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

*The Home for Friendless Children**in account with* MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

Cecil County—N. Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church	\$35 00	
Trinity Church, Elkton.....	13 41	
St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	8 15	
N. Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Church	5 10	
Total from Cecil County.....	—	\$61 56
Kent County—Shrewsbury Parish.....	18 58	
Mrs. Thomas Pennington, (Shrewsbury Parish).....	5 00	
Chester Parish, Chestertown.....	21 50	
St. Paul's Parish.....	15 00	
Total from Kent County.....	—	60 08
Queen Anne's County—St. Paul's Parish, Centerville..	19 00	
Wye Parish.....	11 69	
St. Luke's, Church Hill.....	4 00	
Total from Queen Anne's County.....	—	34 69
Caroline County—St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	3 50	
St. John's Parish.....	5 50	
Total from Caroline County	—	9 00
Dorchester County—Great Choptank Parish.....	27 00	
Dorchester Parish, Grace Church	5 63	
Dorchester Parish, Trinity Church	93	
Total from Dorchester County	—	33 56
Somerset County—Somerset Parish.....	17 00	
Coventry Parish.....	4 50	
Total from Somerset County.	—	21 50
Total contributions from Parishes.....		\$220 49

Amount brought forward.....	\$ 220 49
Talbot County—Christ Church, St. Peter's Parish,	
Easton.....	107 38
Whitemarsh Parish.....	53 00
Christ Church, St. Michael's Parish.....	30 00
"Earnest Workers," St. Michael's	
Parish.....	15 00
St. John's Chapel, Miles River Parish.....	16 50
All Saint's Church.....	111 76
Trinity Cathedral.....	42 85
In Easton and vicinity.....	6 00
Total from Talbot County.....	382 49
Worcester County—Pocomoke Parish.....	17 00
"St. Mary's Society," Pocomoke	
Parish.....	10 00
All Hallows' Church.....	6 25
Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	11 00
Total from Worcester County...	44 25
Wicomico County—Salisbury Parish.....	12 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	5 37
Total from Wicomico County...	17 37
Total contributions from Parishes.....	\$ 664 60
From friends in Baltimore.....	3 00
Interest on investments.....	380 00
Money received from one of the children.....	10 00
Appropriation from the Legislature.....	2,000 00
Legacy left by Miss H. M. Clayland.....	27 54
Balance in Bank, June 3rd, 1882.....	144 15
Total receipts.....	\$3,229 29

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's salary.....	\$175 00
Assistant Matron.....	112 50
Supplies.....	439 42
New coal and wood house, water fixtures, repairs, etc..	264 89
General expenses.....	47 99
Paid Matron, for contingencies.....	59 00
Stationery.....	10 40
Clothing.....	40 87

Amount carried forward.....\$ 1,150 14

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Amount brought forward.....	\$ 1,150 14
Medicine.....	18 40
Fuel.....	80 46
Paid to one of the children, (of money we hold for her benefit).....	5 00
Total spent.....	1,254 00
Balance in bank.....	1,975 29
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	\$3,229 29

EASTON, June 3rd, 1883,

MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Easton,
in account with THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1882. June 8. To balance in hand as per last report.....	\$ 2 18 45
“ 8. To cash and checks of Chairman of Committee.....	535 00
“ 17. To postal order of Oliver D. Collins, All Hallows's dues for Convention Fund, for 1882....	18 00
“ 30. To check of Rev. J. N. Watson for North Kent's dues for 1882.....	20 00
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	\$ 871 45

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1882. June 8. By cash paid Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell as per receipt, voucher No. 1,	\$ 25 00
“ 8. By cash paid for sexton and organ blower, as per order of Convention.....	15 00
July 10. By cash paid for Rev. J. O. Barton's expenses on Centennial Committee.....	9 14
“ 10. By cash paid for Rev. R. Wilson's expenses on same.....	2 90
Aug. 12. By cash paid Rev. J. A. Mitchell, expenses distributing Journal	15 50
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Amount carried forward.....	\$ 67 54

Amount brought forward.....	\$ 67 54
1872 Aug. 31. By cash paid John Cox, for printing Journal of 1882.....	138 20
Sept. 4. By check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, for board and traveling expenses of Oliver Murphy.....	61 00
Nov. 14. By postal order of Rev. F. W. Hilliard, expenses attending meeting of Board of Missions	9 20
“ 17. By check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, on account of traveling expenses, &c.....	125 00
“ 20. By check to Rev. J. O. Barton, expenses attending Standing and Centennial Committees....	9 25
Dec. 14. By cash paid Rev. R. Wilson, expenses attending Centennial Committee.....	6 25
1883. Jan. 31. By cash paid Rev. R. Wilson, expenses attending Centennial Committee.....	10 00
Feb. 24. By check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, for board and traveling expenses of Oliver Murphy.....	61 50
Mar. 12. By cash paid John Cox for printing postals.....	5 00
Apr. 3. By cash paid Rev. R. Wilson, expenses for attending Centennial Committee.....	4 35
May 14. By cash to Rev. F. W. Hilliard, expenses attending meeting of Board of Missions.....	9 00
“ 17. By cash to Rev. J. O. Barton, expenses attending Standing and Centennial Committee.....	10 13
“ 25 By cash to Rev. R. Wilson, expenses attending Centennial Committee.....	6 00
June 1. By cash to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, balance on traveling expenses to June 1st, 1883	125 00
“ 1. By balance in hand.....	224 03
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	\$871 45

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

With Treasurer's Statement.

Balance at last report.....	\$256 02
Subscriptions since paid.....	60 00
Call loans paid.....	1,200 00
People's Gas Co.'s stock paid (redeemed).....	1,000 00
Received from sale of Maryland Defense loan.....	2,000 00
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	\$4,516 20

INVESTED.	
In mortgages.....	\$.....2,500 00
In bond of West Virginia and Pittsburg Railway Co..	1,000 00
EXPENDED.	
In taxes.....	\$142 27
In stamps, stationery &c.....	10 00
On hand for investment.....	863 75
	—————\$4,516 02
RECEIVED.	
From dividends and interest.....	\$2,892 68
Extra assessment.....	174 50
	—————\$3,067 18
DISBURSED.	
In payment of Bishop's salary.....	-\$2,500 00
Leaving on hand to pay salary.....	567 18
	—————\$3,067 18

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer*.

The Trustees have little to add in presenting the above report. The balance on hand to pay salary, will be applied to that object July 1st. It is always a matter of concern with the treasurer, at each recurring quarter, as to whether the income will be sufficient to meet the obligation.

The extra assessment laid upon the Parishes to meet the almost certain deficiency each year, is regularly paid by a few Parishes. The others do not regard the call or the danger. Little more than a third of the assessment has been paid since the last Convention. It is for the Convention to say, whether or not this aid is to be continued, or some better method devised to supply the few hundred dollars deficit likely to occur at one or another of the quarterly periods, for paying the Bishop's salary.

It should be borne in mind that a considerable portion of our receipts, with our ability to pay, has arisen from the defaulted bond interest of long accumulation, turned into our treasury within the past year or two. The end to this extra and handy resource is nigh, and we have no reason to count on more than about two thousand dollars, certainly not far beyond this sum, of interest and dividends, from less than forty thousand dollars invested in the Episcopal Fund. Your Trustees of this fund feel much satisfaction in presenting another favorable report, showing about the same financial condition as that of last year, but they believe it to be best and and right always to submit to the Convention the possible contingencies that may arise, for its wise and timely consideration.

CHARLES LOWNDES,
EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1882.

June	1.	Cash on hand as per last report.....	\$612 97
Aug.	10.	Investment in 6 per cent. loan, secured by note.....	600 00
"	"	Leaving balance in my hands at that date	\$12 97

Contributions received since last report:

June	1.	From Trinity Church, Dorchester Parish.....	\$2 18
"	1.	" Somerset Parish.....	17 00
"	2.	" All Saint's Parish.....	10 68
"	4.	" St. John's Parish, Caroline Co.....	1 00
"	5.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	16 39
"	10.	" Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	3 50
"	10.	" Coventry Parish.....	2 08
"	10.	" Pocomoke Parish.....	3 71
"	10.	" St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	2 16
"	12.	" Convention of the Diocese of Easton.....	19 25
Aug.	12.	" Dividends on stocks.....	48 00
Nov.	25.	" St. Paul's Parish, Kent Co.....	10 00

1883.

Jan.	1.	" Private offering.....	50 00
"	13.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	10 22
Feb.	13.	" Dividend on stock.....	48 00
May	14.	" Trinity Cathedral.....	11 51
"	14.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	36 85
"	15.	" St. Michael's Parish.....	40 20
"	15.	" Chester Parish.....	8 59
"	15.	" Trinity Church, Dorchester Parish.....	2 26
"	17.	" North Elk Parish.....	11 00
"	17.	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.....	15 42
"	18.	" North Sassafras Parish.....	22 84
"	19.	" Somerset Parish.....	9 00
"	22.	" Whitemarsh Parish.....	36 31
"	24.	" Miles River Parish.....	5 00
"	24.	" St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.....	5 78
"	24.	" Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	5 00
"	24.	" Augustine Parish.....	1 00
"	25.	" All Saint's Parish.....	25 96
"	26.	" Wye Parish.....	7 00
"	31.	" Interest on note to date.....	29 30

Amount carried forward.....\$ 517 19

Appendix.

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Amount brought forward.....	\$ 517 19
May 31. " Grace Church, Wicomico county.....	4 00
" 31. " Shrewsbury Parish.....	5 85
" 31. " St. Luke's Parish.....	5 24
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Making cash in my hands at this date.....	\$ 544 95
Adding thereunto investment in Masonic Hall Association Stock at par value.....	\$1,200 00
And 6 per cent Loan, secured by note.....	600 00
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Now makes the sum total of Clergy Relief Fund.....\$2,344 95

During the past year there has been an increase of \$531.98, which is the largest yearly increment to this Fund, and is most encouraging evidence of its steady growth.

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

EASTON, June 1st, 1883.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Diocesan Missions in account with I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.

DR.

1882-1883. July to April.	On drafts of the Bishop.—	
	To Cash paid St. James' Church,	
	Port Deposit.....	\$ 300 00
	St. Luke's Parish.....	150 00
	St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish..	300 00
	St. John's, Caroline, Parish.....	50 00
	East New Market Parish.....	375 00
	Dorchester Parish.....	250 00
	Spring Hill Parish.....	200 00
	Coventry Parish.....	100 00
	Printing and Blanks.....	21 00
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		\$1,746 00

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1882-1883.		
June to June.	By balance at last report.....	\$ 223 81
	By cash from St. James' Church, Port	
	Deposit.....	\$50 15
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	Amount carried forward.....	\$ 273 96

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

Amount brought forward.....\$ 273 96

do. omitted last year	48 62
Trinity, Elkton, Parish..	50 04
North Sassafras Parish..	50 00
North Elk Parish.....	50 10
Chester Parish.....	98 43
Shrewsbury Parish.....	33 35
St. Paul's, Kent, Parish..	8 60
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's, Parish.....	78 81
St. Luke's Parish.....	23 68
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	23 00
Wye Parish.....	31 10
All Saint's Parish.....	76 52
Miles River Parish.....	43 68
St. Michael's Parish.....	40 54
Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
St. Peter's Parish.....	152 21
Whitemarsh Parish.....	64 47
Great Choptank Parish..	140 00
Rev. Mr. Nott.....	3 00
East New Market and Vienna Parishes.....	5 50
Dorchester Parish.....	25 00
Worcester Parish.....	20 00
All Hallows' Parish.....	2 32
Somerset Parish.....	54 81
Pocomoke Parish.....	39 78
Coventry Parish.....	21 42
Salisbury Parish.....	25 00
Spring Hill Parish.....	11 57
Stepney Parish.....	1 42
Wicomico.....	5 00

\$1,328 12

Centenary Collection at

St. Paul's Church,

Baltimore..... 136 00

Deficiency..... 58 07

\$1,522 19

\$1,746 00

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS.

The Committee on Parochial Assessments beg leave to submit the following report:

We have received the sum of \$583.50 from the following Parishes:

Great Choptank.....	30 00
St. Michael's.....	14 00
Miles River.....	14 00
Coventry.....	10 00
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's.....	5 00
St Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 00
Vienna.....	5 00
Christ Church, Kent Island.....	30 50
Shrewsbury.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	40 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00
Somerset.....	40 00
St. Paul's, Kent Co.,.....	20 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00
All Hallows', Worcester Co.....	18 00
Whitemarsh.....	25 00
All Saint's.....	14 00
Salisbury.....	30 00
St. John's, Caroline.....	5 00
Pocomoke.....	18 00
Chester.....	40 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00
Dorchester.....	8 00
Spring Hill.....	12 00
Stepney.....	5 00
Wye.....	10 00
St. Peter's.....	50 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
North Kent.....	20 00

Amount collected and paid to Mr. Hughlett.....\$ 583 50

CONVENTION ASSESSMENTS.

Due June, 1884.

St. John's.....	\$5 0
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 0
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 0
North Sassafras.....	50 0
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 0
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 3
Dorchester.....	8 0
East New Market.....	8
Great Choptank.....	30
Vienna.....	5
Chester.....	40
I. U.....	10
North Kent.....	15
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20
Shrewsbury.....	20
Wye.....	10
Christ Church, Queen Anne's.....	15
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's.....	5
St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	40
Coventry Parish.....	10
Somerset Parish.....	40
St. Michael's Parish.....	14
Miles River Parish.....	14
All Saint's Parish.....	14
St. Peter's.....	50 0
Whitemarsh.....	25 0
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 0
Spring Hill.....	12 0
Salisbury.....	30 0
All Hallows'.....	18 0
Worcester.....	15 0
Pocomoke.....	18 0
Stepney.....	5 0
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	\$ 590 5
DELINQUENT PARISHES, 1883.	
I. U. 1881, \$10; 1883, \$10;.....	20 0
Christ Church, Queen Anne's, 1883.....	34 5
Worcester.....	15 0
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	\$ 69 5

We have reason to believe that a considerable portion of the above delinquency will be sent to the Treasurer in a short time, and had all the delegates been present during the session of the Convention, and remained, we would have received the most of this sum. We earnestly hope that in the future no complaint can be made in this respect.

Signed,

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Chairman*.

E. M. HARDCASTLE,

H. S. COUDON.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TRUST FUND.

In account with Stepney Parish.

To amount in hand June 1st, 1882.....	\$ 105 58
Interest to June 1st, 1883.....	6 04
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Amount to credit of Stepney Parish.....	\$ 111 62

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer*.

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Parochial Assessments.

Due at Convention, 1884.

	CONVENTION FUND.		EPISCOPAL FUND.		
	Arrear- age.	Due June 1, 1884.	Arrear- age.	Assessmt 1883-'84	Whole Amount.
St. John's, Caroline	\$	5 00	\$	4 00	\$13 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel		5 00		4 00	9 00
St. Mary Anne's		15 00		12 00	39 00
North Sassafras		50 00		40 00	90 00
Trinity, Elkton		20 00		16 00	36 00
St. James'		12 50		10 00	22 50
Dorchester Parish		8 00	7 00	7 00	22 00
East New Market		8 00	7 00	7 00	22 00
Great Choptank		30 00		25 00	55 00
Vienna		5 00		4 00	9 00
Chester		40 00		33 00	73 00
I. U.	20 00	10 00	40 00	8 00	78 00
North Kent		15 00	100 00	20 00	135 00
St. Paul's, Kent		20 00	125 00	25 00	170 00
Shrewsbury		20 00		20 00	40 00
Wye		10 00		8 00	18 00
Christ Church	34 50	15 00		12 00	61 50
St. Luke's, Q. A.		5 00	4 00	4 00	13 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.		40 00		33 00	73 00
Coventry		10 00		8 00	18 00
Somerset		40 00		33 00	73 00
St. Michael's		14 00		17 00	31 00
Miles River		14 00		8 00	22 00
All Saints		14 00		8 00	22 00
St. Peter's		50 00		40 00	90 00
Whitemarsh		25 00		20 00	45 00
Trinity Cathedral		10 00		8 00	18 00
Pocomoke		18 00		15 00	33 00
Spring Hill		12 00		5 00	17 00
Salisbury		30 00	20 00	20 00	70 00
All Hallows'		18 00		15 00	33 00
Worcester	15 00	15 00	12 00	12 00	54 00
Stepney		5 00		5 00	10 00

The Secretary has compiled this table from the Report of the Committee on Parochial Assessments, and from the statement of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.

A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

Be we careful to remember that all mortal men are subject to many sudden perils, diseases and sickness, and ever uncertain what time they shall depart out of this life.

To the intent that we may always be in readiness to die, whensoever it shall please Almighty God to call us, we must often receive the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ.

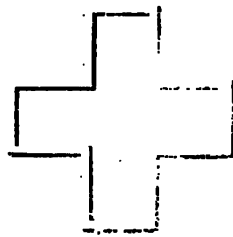
Moreover, every just man should be careful while he is in health, to make his Will and to declare his Debts, what he oweth, and what is owing unto him, for the better discharging of his conscience and the quietness of his executors. Such persons as are of ability should be liberal to the poor.

Legacies may be left to the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese by the names and designations given herewith.

HENRY C. LAY,
Bishop of Easton.

1. "I give to the CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON" the sum of _____ Dollars for
 - a. the uses and purposes of said Convention: or
 - b. for the uses of the Clergy Relief Fund of said Convention: or
 - c. for the use of the Episcopal Fund of said Diocese: or
 - d. for the Missions of the Diocese: or for any other specific use.
2. "I leave to the _____ CATHEDRAL, EASTON,"
 - a. for the purpose of building or repairs: or
 - b. for the endowment thereof, the annual profits only to be expended: or
 - c. for charitable uses to be expended by the Protestant Cathedral.
3. "I give to the _____ ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE EASTERN" _____ Dollars.
4. "I give to the _____ PARISH": or else
5. "I give to the _____ PARISH OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF _____ Parish, the sum of _____ Dollars, the same proceeds thereof to be devoted to the support of the _____ the repairs of the Church, or to any other specific use."

DIOCESE OF EASTON.

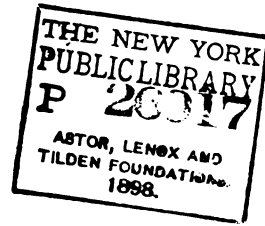


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LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 1, 1884.

*, Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

The Rt. Rev.	HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D.....	Bishop of the Diocese.
"	Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.....	Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
"	" ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, D. D.....	Rector of St. Michael's Parish.
"	" GEORGE F. BEAVEN.....	Rector of St. John's Parish.
"	" *JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.	
"	" * <i>Thomas L. Green</i>	Residing at Church Hill.
"	" *JOSEPH N. WATTSON.....	Rector of North Kent Parish.
"	" JOHN O. BARTON, D. D.....	Rector of Somerset Parish.
"	" JAMES A. MITCHELL.....	Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
"	" *ROBERT WILSON, D. D.....	Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
"	" *JOHN MARTIN.....	Officiating in I. U. Parish.
"	" E. J. STEARNS, D. D.....	Examining Chaplain.
"	" * <i>Edward G. Perryman</i>	Perrymansville, Md.
"	" STEPHEN C. ROBERTS.....	Rector of Chester Parish.
"	" *LEWIS WALKER.....	Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
"	" E. K. MILLER.....	Rector of North Elk Parish.
"	" *PHILIP D. THOMPSON.....	Rector of Christ Church Parish.
"	" W. Y. BEAVEN.....	Rector of All Saints' Church.
"	" W. WALLACE GREENE.....	Rector of Dorchester Parish.
"	" FRANCIS W. HILLIARD.....	Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
"	" ALBERT R. WALKER.....	Rector of Whitmarsh Parish.
"	" WILLIAM SCHOULER.....	Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.
"	" *ALBERT WARE.....	Rector of Wye Parish.
"	" S. D. HALL.....	Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.
"	" <i>F. B. Crosier</i>	
"	" A. BATTE.....	Rector of All Hallow's Parish.
"	" *J. W. LARMOUR.....	Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
"	" FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, Rector of Spring Hill, Stepney and Wicomico Parishes.	
"	" *HENRY WALL, D. D.....	Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co.
"	" * <i>W. H. Phillips</i>	
"	" J. S. ELLIS.....	Rector of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's Co.
"	" REGINALD H. MURPHY.....	Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
"	" OLIVER H. MURPHY.....	Minister in Coventry Parish.
"	" <i>George S. Gassner</i>	Deacon.
"	" G. W. BOWNE.....	Rector of Salisbury Parish.
"	" JOHN R. JOYNER.....	Rector of Worcester Parish.
"	" C. H. VANDYNE.....	Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes.

In all, the Bishop, 34 Priests and 2 Deacons.

LIST OF CLERGY, WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

1. The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D. Easton, Md.
2. " Rev. F. B. ADKINS Quantico, Wicomico Co., Md.
3. " THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D. Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
4. " " A. BATTE Snow Hill Worcester Co., Md.
5. " " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D. Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
6. " " GEORGE F. BEAVEN Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
7. " " W. Y. BEAVEN Longwoods, Talbot Co., Md.
8. " " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D. Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
9. " " GEO. W. BOWNE Salisbury, Md.
10. " " F. B. CROZIER.
11. " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, D. D. St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.
12. " " J. S. ELLIS Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
13. " " GEORGE S. GASSNER.
14. " " THOS. L. GREEN Church Hill, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
15. " " W. WALLACE GREENE Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
16. " " S. D. HALL Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
17. " " F. W. HILLIARD Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
18. " " JOHN R. JOYNER Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
19. " " J. W. LARMOUR Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
20. " " JOHN MARTIN Lynch's, Kent Co., Md.
21. " " ENOCH K. MILLER North East, Cecil Co., Md.
22. " " JAS. A. MITCHELL Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
23. " " OLIVER H. MURPHY Upper Fairmount, Md.
24. " " REGINALD H. MURPHY Locust Grove, Kent Co., Md.
25. " " EDWARD G. PERRYMAN.
26. " " WM. H. PHILLIPS.
27. " " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
28. " " WILLIAM SCHOULER Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
29. " " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D. Easton, Md.
30. " " PHILIP D. THOMPSON Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
31. " " C. H. VANDYNE E. New Market, Dorchester Co., Md.
32. " " LEWIS WALKER Earleville, Cecil Co., Md.
33. " " HENRY WALL, D. D. Fairlee, Cecil Co., Md.
34. " " ALBERT R. WALKER Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
35. " " A. WARE Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
36. " " J. N. WATTSON Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
37. " " ROBERT WILSON, D. D.

LIST

OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;

AND OF

LAY DELEGATES TO THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

Rev. Geo. F. Beaven, Rector.

Chas. R. Wooters.

ST. MARY'S WHITE CHAPEL PARISH.

Rev. S. D. Hall, Rector.

CECIL COUNTY.

AUGUSTINE PARISH.

Rev. William Schouler, Rector.

*Benj. P. Hanson.

NORTH ELK PARISH.

Rev. E. K. Miller, Rector.

Henry S. Coudon.

NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.

Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.

TRINITY PARISH.

Rev. William Schouler, Rector.

R. C. Mackall, M. D.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

*W. W. Hopkins.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

DORCHESTER PARISH.

Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.

*W. W. Mace.

EAST NEW MARKET PARISH.

Rev. Chas. H. Vandyne.

*Thos. Leckie.

GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH.

Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.

Edwin Dashiell.

Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister.

T. H. Williams, M. D.

VIENNA PARISH.

Rev. Chas. Vandyne, Rector.

W. S. Craft.

Lay Delegates.

KENT COUNTY.

CHESTER PARISH.	
Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.	William S. Walker.
I. U. PARISH.	
	Edward W. Hepbron.
NORTH KENT PARISH.	
Rev. J. N. Wattson, Rector.	Lewis T. Wattson.
ST. PAUL'S PARISH.	
Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., Rector.	
SHREWSBURY PARISH.	
Rev. R. H. Murphy, Rector.	*D. J. Nowland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.	
Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.	
ST. LUKE'S PARISH.	
J. S. Ellis, Rector.	W. E. B. Faithful.
ST. PAUL'S PARISH.	
Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.	Richard Hollyday.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.	
Rev. A. Ware, Rector.	Chas. H. Tilghman.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.	
Rev. O. H. Murphy, Missionary,	Thos. Williams.
SOMERSET PARISH.	
Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector.	Levin Woolford.
WICOMICO PARISH.	
Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.	Daniel W. Jones, M. D.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

POCOMOKE PARISH.	
Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.	S. S. McMaster.
ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.	
Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., Rector.	F. B. Andrew.
ST. PETER'S PARISH.	
Rev. Robert Wilson, D. D., Rector.	I. L. Adkins, M. D.
CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, OXFORD.	
WHITEMARSH PARISH.	
Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.	Jos. B. Seth.

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Lay Delegates.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

The Bishop, Rector.
Rev. J. W. Larmour.

Henry E. Bateman.
J. Frank Bateman.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.

MILES RIVER PARISH.

*T. H. Oliver.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.

SALISBURY PARISH.

Rev. G. W. Bowne, Rector.

L. P. Humphreys.

SPRING HILL PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

Jas. A. Waller.

STEPNEY PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

Geo. D. Walter.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

ALL HALLOW'S PARISH.

Rev. A. Batte, Rector.

O. D. Collins.

WORCESTER PARISH.

Rev. John R. Joyner, Rector.

John S. Purnell.

ST. PAUL'S BY THE SEA.

J. A. Fields.

In all 38 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations represented at the Sixteenth Annual Convention by 28 Lay Delegates.

In attendance at the Sixteenth Annual Convention, Clergy 23, Lay Delegates 28.

CHURCH EDIFICES,
WITH THE
DATES OF CONSECRATION AND RE-DEDICATION

ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE.
St. Paul's, Hillsborough, (W. R. W.) 1858.
Holy Trinity, Greensborough, (H. C. L.) 1875.

ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL.
Christ, Denton, (H. C. L.) 1874.

AUGUSTINE, CECIL.
St. Augustine, (W. R. W.) 1842.
Church of the Good Shepherd, (H. C. L.) 1883.

NORTH ELK.
St. Mary's, North East, (W. R. W.) 1844.
St. Mark's, Perryville, (W. R. W.) 1845.
St. John's in the Wilderness.

NORTH SASSAFRAS.
St. Stephen's, { Kemp, } 1824.
 { H. C. L. } 1874.
St. Stephen's, Cecilton, (H. C. L.) 1879.

TRINITY.
Trinity, Elkton, { Stone, } 1832.
 { Kerfoot, } 1867.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.
St. James', Port Deposit, (H. C. L.) 1882.

DORCHESTER, DORCHESTER COUNTY.
Trinity, Church Creek, (W. R. W.) 1853.
Grace, Taylor's Island, (H. C. L.) 1873.

EAST NEW MARKET.
St. Stephen's, (W. R. W.) 1850.

GREAT CHOPTANK.
Christ, Cambridge.
St. John's, (Whitehouse,) 1853.
St. James', Maple Dam, (H. C. L.) 1881.

VIENNA.
St. Paul's, Vienna.

CHESTER, KENT COUNTY.

Emmanuel, Chestertown, (H. C. L.) 1882.

I. U.

Christ, (W. R. W.) 1860.

NORTH KENT.

St. Clement's, 1855. (H. C. L.) 1883.

Holy Cross, Millington. (H. C. L.) 1883.

ST. PAUL'S, KENT.

St. Paul's, (W. R. W.) 1843.

SHREWSBURY.

Shrewsbury, { W. R. W. } 1840.
 { H. C. L. } 1880.

St. Andrew's, Galena, (H. C. L.) 1878.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ, Kent Island, (W. R. W.) 1841.

ST. LUKE'S.

St. Luke's, Church Hill, (colonial and restored,) (H. C. L.) 1881.

St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, (H. C. L.) 1880.

ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's, Centreville, { Stone. } 1835.
 { W. R. W. } 1855.

ST. LUKE'S, QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT.

St. Luke's, Queenstown, (W. R. W.) 1842.

St. Luke's, Wye, (W. R. W.) 1854.

ST. MARK'S, SOMERSET COUNTY.

St. Paul's, Annapessex, (W. R. W.) 1848.

St. Mark's, Kingston, (W. R. W.) 1846.

St. Stephen's, Fairmount.

ST. PETER'S.

All Saints', Monie, { W. R. W. } 1845.
 { H. C. L. } 1881.

St. Andrew's, Princess Anne, (W. R. W.) 1845.

POCOMOCO.

Grace, (W. R. W.) 1848.

POCOMOKE, SOMERSET AND WORCKSTER COUNTIES.

St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. Stephen's, Naswaddux, (H. C. L.) 1877.

ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ, St. Michael's, { Kemp. } 1814.
 { H. C. L. } 1883.

Holy Innocents, Claiborne.

St. Paul's, Royal Oak, (W. R. W.) 1859.

ST. PETER'S.

Christ, Easton, { (Claggett) 1803.
 { (W. R. W.) 1847.
 { (Restored) (H. C. L.) 1876.

WHITEMARSH.

St. Peter's, (Dilapidated.)
St. Paul's, Trappe, (H. C. L.) 1872.
Grace, Oxford.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Trinity Chapel.
Holy Cross, Easton Point.

ALL SAINTS.

All Saints, (H. C. L.) 1873.

MILES RIVER.

St. John's, (Doane,) 1839.

ST. MATTHEW'S, WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's, (W. R. W.) 1849.

SALISBURY.

St. Peter's, Salisbury.

SPRING HILL.

St. Peter's, Spring Hill.
St. Philip's, Quantico, (W. R. W.) 1845.

STEPNEY.

Stepney, (Dilapidated.)
St. Mary's, Tyaskin, (Doane,) 1839.

ALL HALLOW'S, WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallow's, Snow Hill.
St. John's, Traptown, (W. R. W.) 1845.
Holy Cross, Sandy Hill, (W. R. W.) 1851.

WORCESTER.

St. Paul's, Berlin, (Kemp,) 1827.
St. Martin's, (W. R. W.) 1845.

See Journal of the Diocese of Easton, 1869, p. 72, for authority anterior to the organization of the Diocese.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
OF THE
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS.

Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D.
President.

The Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D.,
President, *pro tempore*.

The Rev. JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary, Centreville, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, Esq.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Esq.,
Treasurer of the Convention,
Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Mission Fund,
Easton, Md.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE, The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md. Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

HON. JAMES A. PEARCE,
Chancellor of the Diocese, Chestertown, Md.

Standing Committee:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (President,) the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, (Secretary,) the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., the Rev. Stephen C. Roberts.

Ecclesiastical Court (Elected 1880.)

The Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. Albert R. Walker.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

Messrs. Richard B. Carmichael, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, George R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

The Bishop of the Diocese, (President,) the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., (Treasurer,) Jos. E. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Trustees of the General Theological Seminary:

The Rev. E. F. Dashiell, the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. W. Y. Beaven.

The Board of Examiners in Theology:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund:

The Bishop, (President *ex-officio*,) the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese:

The Bishop, (Chairman *ex-officio*,) Thomas Hughlett, (Treasurer *ex-officio*,) the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., and Messrs. Wm. S. Walker, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Geo. R. Goldsborough and R. C. Mackall, M. D.

The Resolution of Rev. A. Batte, on p. 33 of Journal, is printed incorrectly, it should read as follows:

Resolved, That before proceeding any further in our deliberations, and as an expression of the feeling of this Diocese, the Convention now unite with the Chairman in returning thanks to Almighty God for the restoration to health and strength of our beloved Bishop, whose unavoidable absence we deeply regret and whom our prayers do follow, that, if it be the will of God, he may be long spared to direct and guide us with his wisdom.

On page 42, 3rd line, the words "Report of the Committee on Episcopal Fund," should be omitted.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine Service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the Chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair shall then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next Rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair; one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the Admission of new Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made; unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the Chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.
10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion, not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in the order of their precedence, shall be, to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute; the question on the first two to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the Session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts or Canons, as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new boundaries which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon proposed Resolution, Act or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by Orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M., on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions until altered or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, assembled in St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne, on Wednesday, the 4th day of June, A. D. 1884, at 11 A. M.

Morning prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell, Stearns and Hilliard.

The Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church, New York, from Malachi iii, 1, and I Cor. iv, 1, 2, 3.

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Geo. F. Beaven and the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D.

After Divine Service, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., President of the Standing Committee, called the Convention to order, and the Secretary of the last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from a list furnished by the Bishop.

The following Clergymen answered to their names:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.
" " Erastus F. Dashiell, D.D.
" " Geo. F. Beaven.
" " John O. Barton, D. D.
" " James A. Mitchell.
" " E. J. Stearns, D. D.
" " Stephen C. Roberts.
" " E. K. Miller.
" " W. Y. Beaven.
" " W. Wallace Green.
" " F. W. Hilliard.

The Rev. Albert R. Walker.
" " William Schouler.
" " Sam'l D. Hall.
" " Algernon Batte.
" " Franklin B. Adkins.
" " J. S. Ellis.
" " Reginald H. Murphy.
" " Oliver H. Murphy.
" " Geo. S. Gassner.
" " Geo. W. Bowne.
" " C. H. Vandyne.=22.

The Secretary of the last Convention then called the roll of **L**ay Delegates from a list prepared from the certificates furnished **h**im. The following in the order of **P**arishes, answered to their **n**ames:

Henry S. Coudon.	Daniel W. Jones, M. D.
R. C. Mackall, M. D.	S. S. McMaster.
Edwin Dashiell.	F. B. Andrew.
T. H. Williams, M. D.	I. L. Adkins, M. D.
Wm. S. Walker.	Joseph B. Seth.
Lewis T. Wattson.	Henry E. Bateman.
W. E. B. Faithful.	George R. Goldsborough.
Richard Hollyday.	George D. Walter.
Chas. H. Tilghman.	O. D. Collins.
Thomas Williams.	J. A. Fields.
Levin Woolford.	James A. Pearce, Chancellor. 22.

In the absence of the Bishop, the first business in order was **t**he election of a President. The Rev. Dr. Dashiell nominated **t**he Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D. On motion it was resolved that **t**he Rev. Dr. Stearns cast the ballot for the Convention. The **b**allot was cast for the Rev. Dr. Barber, who thereupon assumed **t**he Chair.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell was nominated for re-election **a**s Secretary. On motion, the ballot being dispensed with, the **R**ev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant **S**ecre-
tary.

The Rev. Dr. Barton read a letter from the Bishop explainin^g as the cause of his absence, the unexpected summons to the sick^k bed of a friend, and expressing his regret at this unavoidable **d**e-
tention on this interesting occasion.

The President announced the following Committees:

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Barton **✓**
Miller and Walker.

On Elections.—Messrs. McMaster, T. H. Williams and Coudon.

On Accounts.—Messrs. Woolford, Goldsborough and Seth.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Messrs.
H. E. Bateman, J. R. Purnell, Ed. Dashiell and J. A. Fields.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts and
Hilliard, and Mr. L. P. Humphreys.

On the Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. A. R. Walker, Messrs. R. Mackall and W. S. Craft.

On Canons.—The Rev. Drs. Dashiell and Stearns, and Mr. Jas. Pearce.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Hilliard, Miller and Schouler, Messrs. Chas. H. Tilghman and W. E. B. Faithful.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, all visiting clergymen, and candidates for Orders, the Officers of the Diocese, and the Vestry of Somerset Parish, be and are hereby invited to seats, as honorary members of this Convention.

The Rev. H. Y. Satterlee, D. D., was present from the Diocese of New York. The Rev. G. S. Gassner, Deacon, and the Rev. C. H. Vandyne, Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes, were present, but not entitled to seats.

The candidates for Holy Orders present were Messrs. George W. Lay and Lewis T. Wattson.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 4.30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

4.30 P. M.—The Convention was called to order by the President.

The Rev. A. R. Walker from the Committee on the Rights of Clergymen to Seats, reported the following entitled to seats:

The Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D. D., LL. D.	
The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.	The Rev. Lewis Walke.
" " Erastus F. Dashiell, D. D.	" " E. K. Miller.
" " Geo. F. Beaven.	" " Philip D. Thompson.
" " Jas. L. Bryan, M. D.	" " W. Y. Beaven.
" " Jos. N. Wattson.	" " W. Wallace Greene.
" " John O. Barton, D. D.	" " Francis W. Hilliard.
" " Jas. A. Mitchell.	" " Albert R. Walker.
" " Robert Wilson, D. D.	" " William Schouler.
" " John Martin.	" " Albert Ware.
" " E. J. Stearns, D. D.	" " Samuel D. Hall.
" " Stephen C. Roberts.	" " A. Batte.

The Rev. Reginald H. Murphy

" " Oliver H. Murphy.

" " George W. Bowne.

JOHN O. BARTON,

ALBERT R. WALKER,

ENOCH K. MILLER.

Committee

Committee on Elections, m

the Rights of Laymen to Seats.

Delegates.

..... Oliver D. Collins.

..... Frank B. Andrew.

..... James A. Fields.

..... W. S. Purnell, Alt.

..... Thomas Leekie.

..... W. E. Johnson, Alt.

..... Lewis T. Wattson.

..... Levin Woolford.

..... Omar A. Jones, Alt.

..... Richard Hollyday.

..... Benjamin P. Hanson.

..... W. W. Hopkins.

..... Wm. H. Noble, Alt.

..... Henry S. Coudon.

..... James A. Higgins.

..... W. S. Craft, Alt.

..... Chas. R. Wooters.

..... P. S. Reynolds, M. D., A

..... Henry E. Bateman.

..... J. F. Bateman.

..... Charles F. Holland.

..... L. P. Humphreys, Alt.

..... S. S. McMaster.

..... John E. Hayward, Alt.

..... Joseph B. Seth.

..... Edward M. Hardcastle, A

..... George R. Goldsborough.

..... R. C. Mackall, M. D.

..... John S. Wirt, Alt.

..... Edwin Dashiell.

..... Thomas H. Williams, M.

..... E. W. Lecompte, Alt.

..... Charles E. Hayward, Alt

<i>Parish.</i>	<i>County.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>
Dorchester .....	.....	W. W. Mace. Samuel M. Travers, Alt.
Spring Hill, St. Paul's Ch.....	.....	James A. Waller. Horace Venables, Alt.
Stepney, St. Mary's Church.....	.....	George D. Walter.
Wicomico, Grace Church.....	Somerset.....	Daniel W. Jones. W. E. Jones, Alt.
Wye	Queen Anne's.....	Richard B. Carmichael. Chas. H. Tilghman, Alt.
Worcester	Worcester	J. S. Purnell. W. S. Purnell, Alt.
Chester.....	Kent	W. S. Walker. W. N. E. Wickes, Alt.
Coventry	Somerset.....	Thomas Williams. John S. Sudler, Alt.
St. Peter's.....	Talbot	I. L. Adkins. Samuel Hambleton, Alt.
St. Luke's... ..	Queen Anne's... ..	W. E. B. Faithful. W. H. Newnam, Alt.
Shrewsbury	Kent	D. J. Nowland. E. F. Comegys, Alt.
		S. S. McMASTER, <i>Chairman</i> , THOS. H. WILLIAMS, M. D., HENRY S. COUDON.

Messrs. J. Frank Bateman, Charles R. Wooters, Edward W. Hepbron, and L. P. Humphreys, not present at the morning session, appeared and took their seats.

Mr. S. S. McMasters supplemented the report of the Committee on Elections by reporting Mr. Edward Hepbron entitled to a seat.

The Rev. Dr. Dashiell from the Committee on Canons of last year presented their report, which was, after some discussion, on motion of Mr. J. B. Seth recommitted for further consideration.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That Article XII of the Constiution be amended by adding after the word "seat," the words "and vote."

The Rev. Mr. Mitchell presented the report of the Standing Committee.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton respectfully report.

Since the meeting of the last Convention in June, 1883, the Committee has held three meetings ; the first for organization immediately upon the adjourn-

ment of Convention ; at the second, January 28th, 1884, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Bishop-elect of East Carolina ; at the third, June 3rd, 1884, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson, Bishop-elect of Cape Palmas and parts adjacent, and also to the consecration of the Rev. William Jones Boone, Bishop-elect of Shanghai ; the Rev. George Sears Gassner was recommended to the Bishop for ordination to the Priesthood, and Mr. William Gilliss Woolford was recommended to the Bishop as a candidate for Holy Orders.

Respectfully,

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

Dr. I. L. Adkins presented the report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, which was on motion referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Dr. Adkins presented the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, which was also on motion referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 8 P. M., and after a short service was called to order by the President. The Bishop's Address was then read by the Rev. W. Y. Beaven.

ADDRESS.

BRETHREN IN THE CHURCH OF GOD:

Albeit the principles of our Holy Religion, are, like their divine author, the same yesterday, to-day and forever, there yet remains in the illustration of them, unbounded room for the industry and the research of devout and thoughtful men.

Every one who thinks at all, has noticed that analogy between things material and things spiritual which underlies the parable of the Kingdom of God, putting forth, first the blade, then the ear, then the full corn in the ear. Every reflecting person marvels at the uniformity of the methods which it has pleased the Divine Workman to use in departments, diverse one from another.

We find in this Reign of Law an argument for the personality of God.

It is characteristic of Personality, where various methods may be used to accomplish an end, to use that one method which has originally commended itself to the intelligence, rather than to invent a new one.

The artist imprints his personality on his work. The picture is new to me, but I recognize the hand that painted it, in the use of materials and methods identical with those employed in the handiwork hitherto familiar.

Of late, there has been urged upon the mind of the scientific as well of the religious enquirer, a principle of the Divine Government, not indeed unknown before, but never before so distinctly apprehended as now. It is formulated in the phrase "THE CONTINUITY OF LAW."

I desire in this address, first of all to avail myself of the labor of others, and to explain what this all pervading principle is: and afterwards, I would endeavor to exhibit some of its practical ap-

plications to the problems of life and duty wherewith we have to deal.

The most familiar of all natural laws is the Law of Gravitation.

It flashed upon the genius of Newton as he saw the ripened fruit fall from the stem, that there was a mutual attraction between material bodies, and that the measure of that attraction was constant, and capable of expression in a mathematical formula.

And that Law of Gravitation is continuous. It is not confined to the sphere in which it is first observed. It may be hidden or modified by the interposition of other laws, but it is a rule invariably observed wherever there is matter to which it can be applied. In the fall of the apple from the tree and in the magnificent rush of planets along their orbits, we recognize not a similarity of law, but an identity. The law by which a rain drop falls is continuous, and reaches to the uttermost bounds of the material universe.

I have said that the manifestations of this law may be hidden from view. The apple falls; its seed germinates and presently rises from the earth, as if to contradict the law of gravity. But well we know there is no contradiction. The law of gravity is unimpaired, but it is modified in its results by the incoming of another law, the Law of Life.

The universe of God lies before our eyes in parallel strata as it were, distinguished by their familiar characteristics, stone, wood, flesh, spirit. The simpler laws which control the lowest, pervade also the highest. Nothing arrests their operation so long as there remains the material appropriate to them. In the higher realm we do recognize laws for which there was no room in the lower. But the law, once originated, becomes the working method for all that is above it and beyond it, so far as it is capable of application.

It is further urged upon us, that the lower cannot lift itself into the higher; but the higher can reach down and grasp the lower and elevate it into itself. The rock cannot educate itself into a flower, but the flower can take hold of the rock, disintegrate and

*It will appear that I have sought in this Address to illustrate the argument set forth in an attractive volume "Natural Law in the Spiritual World, by Henry Drummond, New York: James Pott & Co., 12 Astor Place."

assimilate it. The grass cannot originate animal life, but the living animal can incorporate the grass into its own substance. By parity of reasoning, the natural life cannot convert itself into the spiritual, but the spiritual and the undying can take into its being the natural and the mortal. The plant in its upgrowth "draws" inert matter upwards with itself; and thus saith the Plant that grew up out of the dry ground of our humanity, "I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will *draw* all men unto me."

The affirmation with which we have now to deal is, that however in the higher spheres, laws more elaborate and complex may intervene, the law of the lower is also continuous, modified and restrained, but in no wise superseded. In other words there is in the universe of God no violent dislocation, no abrupt transition from one dynasty to another. The universe in all its parts, with its infinite variety of members more or less honorable, is yet one harmonious whole, pervaded every where by the threads of an infinite wisdom which never contradicts itself, never undoes, while it ever perfects its work.

Reflections such as these may well intensify to thoughtful people the unspoken parables of nature and providence. They illuminate many an utterance of our Lord, encouraging us to read the law of things familiar into the things less familiar.

"O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?"

They serve to remind us that we may not sever our life into dissociated segments; Sunday for saintliness, Monday for mammon. In its lower and in its higher planes, in trading as in praying, at the fireside and at the Holy Table, the Christian life must be continuous and equable.

In enumerating these principles, simple yet profound, I have followed a beaten path. In endeavoring to make certain specific applications of them, I have not the like guidance, and therefore submit what is to be spoken, with all diffidence, to the enlightened judgment of the Christian Priests and Laymen who listen to me. Even a halting argument may not be without use, if it shall remind you of the naturalness of that which we call the supernatural, and if it shall persuade you to find in your spiritual life the truth and the reality of the natural life.

Let us then address ourselves to some of the spiritual illustrations of this principle, "The Continuity of Law."

I instance,

I. THE SUBORDINATION OF INDIVIDUAL WELFARE TO AN ULTIMATE DESIGN.

When we look out upon nature, the first and the abiding impression is of all-pervading Benignity.

The animal and his surroundings are graciously adapted each to the other. That indefinable thing, which we call instinct, teaches silly creatures, having no guide, overseer or ruler, to provide their meat in the summer, and to gather their food in the harvest.

During the tedium of incubation the bird is cheered by the song of her mate. The maternal pride and satisfaction in the callow brood, the complacency with which the hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, indicate an unalloyed animal happiness. Often in our rambles is the step arrested, while we note the gambols of young things, so full of frolic and delight in the mere exuberance of life.

Certainly the general outlook of the world, with its cattle grazings on the hills, with the valleys that laugh and sing in their golden abundance, guided and dominated by the superior intelligence of man, is bright and cheerful. Nor is it less cheerful when we see it as the home of man; or rather, is it not truer to say, the nursery of God's little ones? So beautifully is it adorned, so grandly illuminated, so abundantly provided, so adapted to every need and yearning of his many-sided nature, that we find it easy to say "the Lord is loving unto every man, and His mercy is over all His works."

But a closer look, a longer investigation, exhibit some dark spots in this bright picture.

The weak creature ever succumbs, or is thrust to the wall by the stronger; for so does nature guard against deterioration of the type. Some of the noblest of animals have exchanged the life of freedom for the yoke of toil. Some seem to be almost always in hiding or else fleeing for bare life. In earth, air and sea, there is

going on a monotonous work of destruction, the strong devouring the weak, to be in turn themselves destroyed by the stronger.

And so also of man. One is appalled at the statistics of lives lost in India alone, by the sting of serpents or the claws of ravenous beasts. The seas cannot be traversed without individual suffering and loss of life. The chariot of civilization as it moves, and in proportion to the rapidity with which its wheels revolve, leaves in its path laceration and injuries to limb and to life.

When we fasten our gaze upon the spots, the whole sun is liable to become eclipsed to our morbid vision. We need not ask any one to put out his eyes, or deny the dark patches. But let us judge just judgment. Leaving out of the account the pain that is self-procured, and therefore superfluous, I believe it is fair to say that the world in its main lies basking in a sunshine of benignity, yet not without its dark caverns, and its vales enveloped in mist and cloud.

To reconcile this admixture of pain and pleasure with the infinite mercy would lead me away from the present argument. I cannot forbear however a brief suggestion or two.

Touching the unintelligent animal creation, we have no insight into their inner life, their life of thought and feeling. We have not the elements necessary to strike the balance between their pains and their pleasures. So far as we can observe, their sorrows are short lived and soon forgotten. They are created under a law of limitation and subservience to higher uses. Unless we object to their creation at all, I see not how we can criticize the course and end of their existence, or suggest a substitute for it. We seem not to be in position to discern at all the method of God's dealings with irrational creatures.

And as for the hazard and the wreck of human happiness by reason of what we call, in our lack of knowledge, the accidents of life; the injuries sustained, the existence forfeited where no blame attaches; as for these marked exceptions to a benign rule, exceptions numerous enough to be seriously noted, they are part and parcel of that greatest of mysteries, the Permission of Evil.

Until we can solve the general problem, we cannot explain the instance. Only, accepting the mystery as mystery, there comes many a ray of light from above to lighten some of its sombre fea-

tures. And this mystery is most relieved when surrendering the ambitious endeavor to explain the world-wide trouble, we narrow our investigation to the sorrows and losses of an individual.

There is even in the present time a rule of compensation for pain rightly endured. Sainly people invariably unite in the testimony that whatever have been their sorrows, God has made it up to them. Out of the struggles of poverty are born industry and determination. Out of protracted bodily anguish, comes an inexpressible sweetness of temper. Bereavements severe and oft repeated, have been as ordaining hands which consecrated men to be Sons of Consolation.

Certainly God has provided compensations for those who care for God. If a man has no care for God, no room for Him in his thought, no place for Him in his scheme of life, God may not force Himself upon him in the way of compensation or in any other way. The case of the Godless is so abnormal that we can make nothing of it. But it is otherwise with such as wait upon God.

I was preaching once on Holy Innocents' Day, affirming that these, no less than St. Stephen, who actually died, and St. John, who was content to die, for the master's sake, were veritable martyrs, *i. e.* witnesses for God. And I was led along, almost unknowingly, to use an *argumentum ad hominem*, somewhat after this fashion.

Did you ever, O child of God, watch the death-struggle of your own little one? And that, with accidents of pain so terrible as to rend your very heart? And in that moment when God permitted His innocent one to be racked so fiercely, did there not come to you profounder thoughts of the love of God than ever before? Did not that suffering innocent bear witness to an infinite reserve of goodness, an unimaginable compensation of love, in the consciousness whereof the Infinite Father could suffer this to be?

A hearer, a Christian man of unusual intelligence and culture, said to me, "You did well to attempt no farther explanation. You touched a chord in our hearts which vibrated to the utmost extremity of our consciousness." So it is, that the undeserved and seemingly superfluous sufferings of the innocent, bear witness to a compensation of love.

I cannot resist the temptation to further illustrate this thought. I know the illustration to be authentic.

An American lady, whose husband found himself committed to an extended residence in Paris, set forth with several children to join him there. The eldest child, a daughter of twelve years old, was confirmed just before they sailed. The ship foundered at sea. The mother writes that when they rushed on deck, and she, as the children clung to her, uttered an exclamation of terror, this little girl, with the grace of confirmation upon her, said to the mother, "Do not be frightened. The sea is His, and He made it?"

In another moment the waves swept them all away. The mother alone was rescued. When the accounts are fully made up, then and then only may we know of the abundant compensation for undeserved suffering. It is sad to think of those innocent ones swallowed up of the waves. But place in the opposing balance that wonderful out-leap of faith, which enabled a little girl to look into the jaws of the devouring sea, saying in effect, I am not afraid of you! You are God's creature, and His everlasting arms are around me!

But to return from this digression.

From this seeming harshness or indifference of nature, exceptional to its habitual aspect of benignity, we learn that there are great purposes therein, and that to these purposes the individual is subordinated.

The ancient rock is scarred and furrowed to enrich the valleys. The flowers are devoured or trampled upon by living creatures. These presently are slain for the use of man, and man, in his turn, must brave danger and death, for the sake of the race of man, in order to maintain the communications between the scattered members of the human family, and to provide the appointments necessary for civilized society.

Some of these purposes we can discern. The ultimate design of Almighty God in originating and sustaining the course of nature, may, as Bishop Butler has suggested, be as impossible for us to understand as for a blind man to understand colors. Only we may be sure that design is not capricious. The Divine Will is not wilful. He doeth all things according to the *counsel* of His Will.

And so it is, that nothing liveth to itself, nothing dieth to itself. Nature may lavish her gifts on some favorite child, and build large hopes upon him. But when a great purpose is to be served, she never hesitates to obey the voice, "Take now thy son, thine only son whom thou lovest, and offer him up for a sacrifice upon the mountain that I will tell thee of."

Now we claim that this same law of the subordination of the individual to the great design follows us in our spiritual life.

It is to be feared that we too little realize this truth. Our religion does indeed save us from evils present and prospective. It bestows upon us in various measures, peace and joy and abiding consolation. But all this is graciously inwrought into a greater design and beautifully reconciled with the march of an ultimate purpose. The setting up of the Kingdom, the recognition of the Divine Glory, the crowning of the Lord's Christ, these constitute the vanishing point to which do trend the various lines of God's dealings with His saints. If the Glory of God demand, then shall the sword of Herod make havoc among the innocents, then shall Lazarus sicken while the Master lingers beyond Jordan, then shall the chosen apostles, all save one, perish by the cross, the sword, the fuller's club, and then shall the most active and useful workers in the vineyard be laid on beds of languishing to try their patience for the example of others, and that their faith may be found in the day of the Lord, laudable, glorious and honorable, to the increase of glory and endless felicity.

We are branches of a vine. However each branch is dear to the husbandman, in his estimate, fruit is dearer still, and the vine is dearest of all. He pruneth us severely, regardless of the bleeding wounds, if only we shall bear much fruit. He says to his Pastors, "Feed my Sheep; Feed my Lambs." What if the shepherd complains, "In the day the drought consumed me and the frost by night, and my sleep departed from mine eyes." "The good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep."

A temple of God is uprising in this world, and "ye also as lively stones are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."

There is here a noble disregard of what the proprieties of language might seem to demand.

A stone, isolated and apart, is the deadest thing in nature: and such were some of you. But ye became living stones, when the divine workman, indifferent to the seeming havoc made of you, hewed and squared and polished you, and builded you into an eternal arch. Lively Stones! In nature the temple is one thing and the priest another. But these stones, in seeming, so ruthlessly manipulated for a purpose beyond and above them, become living stones, temple and priest at once, a resting place for the Divine Glory, a priesthood offering spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

In other words, self surrender, self sacrifice are the only rules of Christian living. As all the lower things beneath our feet, freely surrender their individual pretensions to further that which is beyond, so are we called to give ourselves clean away, to regard ourselves as material and instruments, in working out an infinite design. We drink indeed of the brook by the way and are refreshed. But the journey is not for the sake of the refreshment. We hasten on, that ere nightfall comes, unto the God of Gods may every one of us appear in Zion, carrying with us a good report of the task to which we were devoted.

And this, my Brethren, is the only temper in which we can rightly do the work committed to us. Self-assertion is a revolt against God's plan of building up His Kingdom. Because one is slighted, neglected, resisted, shall he fold his hands and stand idle? Because to take my place as a living stone in the living temple, I must lose something of my substance, of my quiet, of my proportions in the estimate of men, shall I therefore lie inert and cumber the ground?

Oh that we could know the power and the sweetness of absolute consecration to the Divine Purpose, without stipulation for individual immunity from pain, or even for spiritual joy! How vigorous and happy would be our spiritual life, if it were all hid with Christ in God!

My Brethren, we hear on every side the complaint of the decay of public and political virtue. Not merely are the practices bad; this were to be expected in the infirmity of human nature; but the national conscience is debauched, so that there is not even hypocrisy, that homage which vice pays to virtue. Our vocabulary

is enriched with new words to describe the cliques who manipulate public affairs, the autocrats, who while none thrusts the greatness upon them, assume to nominate public officers and to pronounce on public measures. Legislators tell us that seldom is any proposition considered on its substantial merits; men seek office unblushingly, not because they are specially qualified for it, or because the public will be advantaged by the designation, but simply and solely for their personal advantage. No Curtius, for his country's sake leaps into the chasm of obscurity, no Cincinnatus, who has tasted the sweets of office, goes back contentedly to his plough. Everywhere, one sees men who have pleasant houses and suitable occupations, restlessly longing for the Naboth's vineyard of political promotion. Counties and neighborhoods, congregations, sometimes vestries even, are disturbed and hindered by the intense individualism of those who will not consent to keep quiet for the sake of the common good.

This is the blot upon our national character. Defaulters and defrauders of the Government wrong the nation, but they do not soil its conscience. But when among the influential and cultured classes of society we see men running where no man has called them, modesty and diffidence at a discount, and self-abnegation clean exploded, we find the invasion of a law, continuous through all nature and all social order, that the interest of the individual is always to be maintained in subordination to the welfare of the system.

We have no union of Church and State. Each of them is a society divinely authenticated. The powers that be, in each of them, are ordained of God, and in the keys of the one and the sword of the other, we recognize the symbols of Divine authority.

These two kingdoms do not interpenetrate. They lie like cloud realms in parallel planes. Interference there is none, but there is a wondrous play of influence and of sympathy in the electric flashes which pass from each to each.

The church does not affect to control the nation. But it is not easy to exaggerate the weight of influence which she is capable of exerting when she lives and speaks aright.

It is for the Church to give to the State the example of Loyalty, which is but another name for the intelligent and voluntary surrender of individual pretension.

The ideal of the Church is as of a community where Bishops, Priests, Deacons and Laymen express the purpose of their being and the passion of their hearts, in their early orison "Thy Kingdom Come;" where none presumes to obtrude his preferences and prejudices, his claims and merits in the way of that kingdom. Where no warrior sulks in his tent because his sensibilities have been wounded, no Ahithopel hangs himself because his counsel has not been followed. Where none ventures to plead convenience, ease, likes and dislikes at the expense of defeat or delay to the sacred cause. Where none seizes the uppermost seat, but all with friendly violence, "prefer," thrust forward, another into the place of honor.

The Church, wherein all self seeking was habitually, although not always successfully resisted, would be to the nation a light set upon a candlestick, a city that could not be hid.

One can but fear sometimes that we have exaggerated notions of God's indebtedness to His creatures. Each one is tempted to think that his personal happiness should be the prime consideration, and that it is hard and cruel to subordinate the individual to some ulterior design. Caiaphas stated the principle, "it is expedient for us that one man die for the people and that the whole nation perish not," and as thus stated, it does sound cold and indifferent.

But there is another statement of the same principle. When our Lord was pouring forth the utmost flood of tenderness upon His chosen ones, He said to them, "Verily, verily I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice, and ye shall be sorrowful:"—such is the inexorable rule of subordination in the Kingdom of Grace: but this is not all: there is a reserve of compensation. "Ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy."

In connection with this Law of Subordination, I would instance—

II. THE LAW OF COMPLEXITY WHICH PERVADES ALL THE PHENOMENA OF NATURE, AND WHICH GOVERNS ALSO THOSE OF THE SPIRITUAL WORLD.

Complexity is the opposite of simplicity. Nature has no simples to exhibit. We reach them only by laborious analysis, and even

then are by no means certain that further analysis may not show them to be compound. The universe abounds in graceful curves which are the results of forces that singly would operate in straight lines. Nature abounds in products which are utterly unlike their constituents and which entirely change their character according to the proportions of their ingredients. Every where we see unity emphasized by diversity, harmony that grows out of discords, peace that comes in the reconciliation of antagonisms.

A scientific friend, of whom I asked a suggestion, writes me thus:

"The nearest expression of what you refer to, is the general statement that opposites attract and that nearly all the phenomena of nature are the results of attraction.

"Thus the opposite electricities (positive and negative) attract and the entire phenomena of electricity come from this attraction and the consequent commingling of the opposite conditions.

"So again in chemistry, the strongest affinities exist between the most dissimilar substances, and when combination ensues the compounds so formed are the most permanent.

"Even in heat and light, the condition of effectiveness is that there should be at least a contrast by reason of difference in degree. Heat-energy would be practically extinct if the universe were of an equal temperature, and a shadowless light would be incapable of revealing anything or expressing anything.

"The exception to this general rule is found in the purely mechanical forces, such as gravitation and cohesion, where there is no difference in the attracting bodies; but here comes in another sort of dualism and opposition. Mere attraction would soon end in absolute rest and absence of energy, were it not met by repulsive force, such as the centrifugal tendency of the revolving planets which prevents them from falling on the sun, and the molecular repulsion to which the elasticity of most bodies is due."

My Brethren, is not much of our unbelief and discontent, in the ultimate solution, a revolt against this law of complexity which as it pervades all nature, extends also into the sphere of spirit? are we not tempted to oppose some ideal of our own, some easy, direct, simple plan of spiritual revelation and spiritual dealing, to an actual revelation and a dealing whereof we have experimental

knowledge, replete with delicate combinations and seeming antagonisms?

1. Let us think of Human Life in general.

I suppose that if the blank chart were laid before us and we were permitted to mark out, each one, his course thereon, the ideal life thus planned would be direct and uneventful. Our pencil would avoid every shoal marked with the names of sickness, bereavement, unkindness or poverty.

But the real life, bitter-sweet as it is, is a far better thing than the flavorless life which has no bitterness in it. It is the alternation of frost and warmth in its environment which makes the goodly tree so goodly. It is in the complexity of our life, in the warring of hostile forces which at last are friendly allies, it is in the combination of tears and smiles, of successes and reverses, of hopes and fears, of loves and hates, that we find our truest development, our safest equilibrium, our truest rest. One comes to think at last in the review of life, that he could better have dispensed with the sweet than with the bitter.

There come to me just now the words of one of our fellow workers who has entered into rest, words which as he uttered them were more piquant by reason of his Gallic accent. "What said David? It is good for me; not that I had the gift of poesy; not that I was a great soldier; not that I became a mighty King and the founder of an illustrious dynasty. He thrusts all these aside and emphasizes another feature of the past. It is good for me *that I have been afflicted.*"

It is easy to ask why should the Infinitely merciful stint my sunshine; how easy to His Omnipotence to make my life one long Summer day. The Professor of Natural Science suggests a law of nature which extends into the realm of spirit.

"A shadowless light would be incapable of revealing anything or expressing anything."

Such reflections are very full of consolation. While life is seething and in a ferment, we may not discern the wisdom and the goodness which govern its complications. But the end will crown the work, and the result will vindicate any seeming capriciousness in the working.

Perchance one may answer, the argument may be logically pushed further than you intend. One may insist that on these

accepted principles, the like vicissitudes and play of opposing forces are to be attributed to the heavenly and perfected state of man when raised in glory.

That there is room there, for some exhibition of the laws in question, there can be little doubt. The prophets to whom were vouchsafed glimpses of the upper heaven are far from representing it as a vast quietude, an intense, unbroken meditation. The vision is of work and activities and of most complex harmonies.

But there are plain intimations of the incoming of higher laws into that highest sphere of life, which shall leave no place for sorrow, crying, pain.

I have said that in this life we need the shadow as well as the light. If one asks; shall we not then have like need of the shadow in the land of infinite light, I answer that its light is not the reflected light, but light original. Where there is no sun there need be no shadow.

Says St. John:

"The city had no need of the sun, neither the moon to shine in it; for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." And again "There shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light and they shall reign forever and ever." In a word, the sun with its brilliancy and its shadows have become obsolete. Whether the light, perfect and original which shall supercede it, shall need a foil, we may not tell: but in the shadows, if such there be, there shall be no trace of night.

2. Let us consider the complexity which attaches to the forming of a Right Belief.

The subject-matter of religious belief presents us with a large variety of material as curiously combined and as beautifully interlaced as are the phenomena in any department of natural science.

We take into the account the traditions of the race, the universal affirmations of humanity, the instincts of the natural conscience. Before our eyes lies the many paged volumes of nature and of providence, with spiritual lessons emblazoned in the firmament, peeping forth to us from the flower, whispering to us in the breeze.

We hold in our hands a volume, which is emphatically the Book of Life, and the authentication of its last page covers the whole. "Blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book." It is a volume of great diversity, written at sundry times and in sundry places, the coherence of its constituents not being always evident. And this Christian religion, written in the book, is also embodied in an organic structure, the book itself directing us thereto, and bidding us hear the Church; there are teachers and rulers set over us in the Lord, and to these the book itself bids us hearken, these it bids us obey. While yet there is a burden of individual responsibility in this matter of belief, which no one can evade by casting it absolutely on another.

And the faculties which are exercised upon the belief are as various as the subject-matter. The pure intelligence alone cannot grapple with the problems before it. It must take counsel with the instinct, the conscience, the affections; even the imagination and the emotions have their just place in assisting us to conceive of the truth and to grasp it.

It is this complexity which leads many to exclaim, some in disdain, some in weariness, some in desperation, what is Truth?

I have sought to state honestly, the elaborateness of the problem which concerns the Faith. I know scarcely any limit to its complications. It touches all histories and all philosophies. It involves issues of fact; it cries out for reconciliation with the discoveries and speculations of an age eminent for the industry of its enquiries and the accuracy of its methods.

I claim however that the complication and the difficulty vary with the individual, and that in no instance is the practical problem, what am I to believe in things spiritual, beyond the ability of that individual to solve, or more difficult than like problems in our natural life. We believe rightly, although some on wider and some on narrower exploration. If I have made a specialty of Egyptian monuments for instance, I shall find a difficulty which it shall need profound study to relieve. But this does not impeach the reasonableness of my neighbor's faith, who has not studied hieroglyphics.

And so it is that men endeavor to import into the region of belief, a simplicity which it refuses to entertain.

There are those who will not take into their calculation the complex nature of the enquirer himself, but assert the absolutism of the unaided intelligence.

The autobiography of John Stuart Mill is an eminent illustration. He had no childhood. From his babyhood his father treated him as a creature with nothing but a brain. At four years of age he was a scholar and a philosopher in embryo. Faith as among our natural endowments was ignored, affections were allowed neither play nor utterance. Sublimely confident in the unerring processes of unaided logic, he feared not to solve the gravest questions, political, social, religious, as one would do a sum in algebra.

How vain the effort! mere intelligence never yet made a picture or invented a song. Mere logical demonstration of parental obligation never yet instructed a mother to rear a child. Thinking without loving will never find a God who is as loving as He is wise.

Some find a refuge from the complexity of enquiry and the perplexities of doubt in the arms of Rome. The new convert tells in his enthusiasm: I never knew peace before; no doubts do not disturb me; I have no questions any longer to determine, for there is a voice, living and unquestionable, which determines for me what I am to believe. But this is desolation, not peace.

Some find their rest in indifferentism. Much study, say they, is a weariness to the flesh. There is nothing that can certainly be known; whether God is being or abstraction, whether Satan is a person or fiction, whether death is the ending or beginning, we do not know and we do not care. But do they not care? Their utterances are like the Stoic's:

"Pain's not an ill, he mutters, with a groan."

Some religionists again would greatly simplify the problem. Believe that you are personally saved, and you are saved. Believe that you are sanctified, and you become at once free from stain.

Religion, says one, is the simplest sort of thing. It is a change of heart, just that and no more. And thus men look with indifference or dislike upon the whole apparatus, confessedly elaborate, of Liturgy, Ceremony, Sacrament, Fast and Festival, Discipline

and Ministration, which imply that to build men up in the Faith is a work which needs and invokes numerous agencies.

The position in these matters, of the Church which has received us into her communion or her ministry, is readily defined. She affirms the necessity of a definite belief, and declares by consequence that religious certitude is attainable. She sets this belief out in its amplitude and has no one favorite truth which disallows the rest.

She summons us to bring into our search for truth, all the varied faculties of man, mind, heart, soul; docility as well as curiosity, humility as well as courage. She proffers her guidance and help, but never proposes to exempt us from the labor of thought and meditation. She bids us prove what we have taken on trust. To use the illustration of Archbishop Whately, not always so felicitous in his expositions, her very creeds, magnificent as they are in their intrinsic credit and prestige, challenge always the test of Scripture, and are as bank bills, portable and serviceable, but ever ready to be redeemed with gold at the counter.

But the Church is also careful to tell us that in things spiritual as in things natural, there are degrees of complexity varying with our personal development. The faith of a child is as real, as genuine and as practically serviceable as that of the cultivated man. The provision made for carrying on our animal life to its best estate is most elaborate. But the necessities of life are very few. The childish things are not to be despised, because when we become men, we must in some sort put them away.

Am I wrong in the suggestion that our own lay-people are not enough at pains to inform themselves, and are too little able to give an answer to one that asketh a reason of the hope that is within them? They are not so unintelligent, so uninstructed in the matters which pertain to civil politics. Is their citizenship in the heavenly kingdom of less interest? How often do we look about us in Christian homes, and see newspapers, but no religious ones, histories of the decline and fall of nations, but none elucidating the story of the Church's hopes and triumphs, books about farming and tillage, but none about breaking up the fallow-ground of the heart and bringing forth the fruits of righteousness.

I may mention also, and more briefly:

3. The composite nature of a well balanced Christian character.

It seems to us that it would be easier to be Christian, if we might bend our energies to the cultivation of a few favorite virtues. But the catalogue of the Christian virtues is very extensive. Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, was the substance of St. Peter's sermon on the day of Pentecost to those who would be saved. But to those who had obtained this precious faith, he writes in an epistle, add to your faith, virtue and many other graces. Even to brotherly kindness they must add charity.

These graces are more than various, they are even antagonistic. To reconcile generous wrath with ready forgiveness, zeal with modesty, courage with caution, is a serious problem. How hard to unite the open hand that scatters, with the careful finger which gather up the fragments!

Moreover, in Christian character and action (and the same might be affirmed of belief) the proportion is of the last importance. It is in the proportion of the elements, alone, that the air we breathe differs from the acid that corrodes. The perfect man in Christ has not one gift of the spirit, but many; and these are in even adjustment, so that his justice does not mar the merciful side of his nature for instance, neither does his mercy disable his sense of justice.

It is well thus to elaborate our ideal of the saintly life. So shall we pray more earnestly to God not only to preserve to us that whereunto we have attained, but also to supply what is lacking and to strengthen that which is weak.

4. Let us consider also this law of complexity as it appears in the Church of Christ.

We may not shut our eyes to the evils which afflict us, nor hesitate to own that our strifes and divisions prove that we have imported the carnal into the spiritual. But even here we find the exaggeration or the perversion of wholesome laws which pervade all departments of our being.

It has been very commonly observed that after one has borne awhile the burdens of the Episcopate, he becomes more tolerant. Before, he had his shibboleth and stood aloof from those who could

not frame to pronounce it aright. He had his theory and his system as of paramount excellence. But now, without surrendering old convictions, he finds room in his approbation for the convictions of others.

No doubt a large part of the explanation is to be found in this, that he occupies a higher post of observation and extends the scope of his vision. He becomes involuntarily acquainted with forces and influences which he had been indisposed to recognize and discerns a worth in them which he had not suspected.

The elemental war may seem at times destructive, and yet it comes from an attraction of opposites which will presently commingle and bring about rest. The very repulsions which drive men apart may serve to give elasticity and accommodativeness to the body.

I know very well that this plea for diversity and individualism in the Church is now extended to the point of utter lawlessness. While occupied in the Enrichment Committee, we could but ask ourselves, what is the use of all these carefully worded permissions when so many omit or substitute or supplement, according to their whim, their discretion or their indiscretion.

But let not these extravagancies drive us into the other extreme of repressing the legitimate expression of individual opinions, or the tolerance of varieties of administration.

There are limits of variation to be established and maintained in the General Church. We seem to be admonished that they need to be more distinctly defined. These and these alone should mark the boundaries of comprehension in the diocese. We should have no patience with any unwritten diocesan interdict which would exclude from partnership and sympathy those whose loyalty to the Church cannot be impugned. If one asks what are the permissions of the Diocese of Easton, may we always be ready to answer, they are as broad and as narrow as the formularies and laws of the National Church itself.

May I venture, in this connection, to approach the utmost mystery of our religion? I know that the ground is holy and that my words should be few.

5. Consider the complexities which attend the doctrine of the Incarnation of the Son of God.

The instructed Christian has learned that an abiding faith must rest on the incarnation as the one adequate foundation.*

The writer of the letter I quoted awhile ago, certainly had not this in mind. Recall his statements, that in nature opposites attract, and that its phenomena come from this attraction and from the consequent commingling of opposite conditions, that the strongest affinities exist between things dissimilar, and that when combination ensues, the compounds so formed are the most permanent.

The Holy God and the sinful race of man seem to stand at opposite poles, severed by an infinite abyss. These opposites attract. Borne on the wings of Cherubim and Seraphim the All-Holy has rushed down to us as in a whirlwind of love, seeking reconciliation; and at His nearer approach, the race has come to its right mind and bracing up its loins, has gone forth to meet Him. The human and the divine in the person of one Christ, how utterly dissimilar! But the union once effected, how permanent, how indissoluble.

"Two whole and perfect natures, that is to say, the Godhead and Manhood were joined together in One Person, *never to be divided*, whereof is one Christ."

To sum it all up, my Brethren, we have need to recognize our personal subordination in a work of infinite wisdom and grace. We have need to consent to the difficulties and the intricacies of a scheme but dimly discerned in its progress and in its purpose.

We are privates in the army. We see something, something we infer, but the Captain of our salvation doth not now tell us all that He is doing. We may be confused with the marching and the counter-marching, weary with the drill and the vigil, distressed by the losses and defeats. Only we are sure that this is

*A friend lately reported to me a conversation with an intelligent and highly cultured agnostic. The latter expressed his incredulity in the religious honesty of the Clergy of our Church. "How many of them," said he, "really believe in the Incarnation?" "All of them," answered my friend: "Even ——— declares his faith in it." "He does not," was the earnest reply of the sceptic. "He may think he does, but he is self-deceived. Give me the Incarnation, and I will prove the canon. Let it once be established that the Infinite Wisdom has come to us in the flesh and spoken to us, and thereafter all that He authenticates stands on impregnable authority."

God's uniform way, always, everywhere, of winning the victory, and that He is rich enough to compensate to the full, those who at his command have surrendered houses and lands, comfort and kindred, or even all that is most valued of the life that now is.

I hope that it may not appear presumptuous to have suggested to your minds these lines of thought. All who read or think at all, must, without pretending to have explored the vast domain of modern physical enquiries, have some acquaintance with the general results of such enquiries. And however uncouth and inadequate our allusions may appear to the philosopher, it is allowable for practical and devotional uses, to show that these speculations are not at war with the principles of our holy religion, but that they do rather illustrate and confirm them.

I now proceed to lay before you a summary of our Diocesan affairs during the past year.

CLERGY LIST.

The changes among the clergy have been as follows:

The Rev. George W. Bowne has been received from Maryland and was instituted on the 10th of June, 1883, into the Rectorship of Salisbury Parish.

The Rev. John R. Joyner has been received from Virginia and become Rector of Worcester Parish.

The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne has been received from Long Island and become Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes.

I have transferred by Letters Dimissory, the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., to North Carolina, and the Rev. Pierre Du Gué, Trapier to Maryland.

The Rev. T. B. Crozier has resigned the Rectorship of Miles River Parish; the Rev. W. H. Phillips that of East New Market and Vienna Parishes, and the Rev. Robert Wilson, D. D., that of St. Peter's Parish.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

These are two only, George W. Lay and Lewis T. Wattson, both students in the General Seminary, with another year of study to complete the course.

CORNER STONE.

On the 14th of April, 1884, I laid the corner-stone of a large stone church at Cambridge, to replace the building destroyed by fire. Several of the clergy were in attendance and I addressed a large assemblage in the Court House. I have set forth a service to be used on such occasions, and submit copies thereof for the information of the Convention.

CHURCHES CONSECRATED.

On the 5th of December, 1883, in the North Kent Parish, the Rev. W. Y. Beaven preaching the sermon, I consecrated St. Andrew's Church, Millington. And on the next day, in the same Parish, the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D. preaching the sermon, I consecrated St. Clement's Church, Masseys, replacing a building which has been taken down, and occupying a more convenient site. Our hearty congratulations are due to the Rector, the Rev. J. N. Wattson for the two churches thus completed. They are the result of the labors of many long years, under great discouragements. May they serve to make his ministry still more fruitful in blessing to the souls of men!

RECTORIES.

I am happy to report that a very commodious Rectory has been completed and occupied at Tunis Mills in Miles River Parish.

A suitable house has been purchased for a Rectory in East New Market, and furnished for occupancy by the ladies of the Parish.

A Rectory is also in progress in Denton, to be completed before winter.

The Rectory in Church Hill has been taken down and replaced by a comfortable residence. In Centreville the same improvement is now in progress.

Such provision for the comfort and well-being of the Parochial Clergy is among the most conspicuous tokens of the Diocesan life. The Diocese began with fifteen Rectories, we have now twenty-six.

CONFIRMATIONS.

I have administered the Rite of Confirmation to 159 persons, in 25 parishes, as follows:

St. John's, Caroline.....	4	Coventry	8
St. Mary's, White Chapel....	2	Somerset	6
North Elk.....	4	Wicomico.....	2
Trinity, Cecil	6	Pocomoke.	8
St. James, Port Deposit.....	2	St. Michael's.....	6
East New Market.....	3	Whitemarsh	4
Great, Choptank.....	9	Cathedral.....	7
North Kent.....	8	Miles River.....	4
St. Paul's, Kent.....	5	Salisbury	20
Shrewsbury.....	8	Spring Hill.....	5
St. Luke's, Q. Anne's.....	12	All Hallows.....	9
St. Paul's, Q. Anne's.....	7	Worcester.....	3
Wye.....	7		

EPISCOPAL CONSECRATIONS.

My official consent has been given to the consecration of five **Bishops**, viz: the Rt. Rev. Dr. Knickerbacker of Indiana, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Potter, assistant of New York, whom I also presented for consecration, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Randolph, assistant of Virginia, Rt. Rev. Dr. Walker, Missionary Bishop of North Dakota, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Watson, Bishop of East Carolina.

ECCLESIASTICAL COURTS.

Our last Diocesan Convention omitted to elect the members of the Court for the trial of clergymen. We all devoutly hope that **there** may never be occasion to convene such a tribunal. Should **such** necessity ever arise, difficulty and strife will be obviated, by a **canon** precise in its terms and easy to be applied. This seems to **be** a favorable time to examine anew our own law of discipline, and my attention has been drawn to the very careful consideration given to the general subject in the diocese of Western New York.

Our Chancellor has, at my suggestion, communicated with the Chancellor of that diocese on this subject, and is prepared to lay

the results of that correspondence before your Committee on Canons, should you think proper to instruct them to re-examine our law in this behalf.

In this connection I beg leave to thank the Convention for giving me the assistance of so valuable an ally. The Chancellor has relieved me in several instances, of troublesome enquiries, he has advised me in questions of church titles, and made out suitable deeds and conveyances without charge. Some of the matters submitted to him being of general interest, and in one instance requiring a remedy, I have requested him to make a written report to me, and I submit the same for your consideration.

LAY READERS.

A canon of the last General Convention defines with more precision the duties of Lay Readers. The license must be renewed after the lapse of one year.

I have issued such ordinary license to Henry S. Coudon, J. McD. Goldsborough and E. J. Davy, upon the nomination of their several Rectors.

The canon further provides for an extraordinary privilege to be granted to discreet and devout laymen by special license to "deliver addresses, instructions and exhortations in vacant Parishes, congregations or missions." Such special license has been issued to Dr. Richard B. Mackall of Elkton, and to the two candidates for Priest's orders.

We have here a germ of influence of exceeding interest. It means that an earnest and humble-minded layman, without calling himself a preacher or assuming to speak by authority, may, with the warrant of the Diocesan, tell the story of the cross to others and explain the simple truths of the Gospel to his neighbors. There are many members of the church who might lend valuable assistance to the ordained clergy, and enable them greatly to extend the field of their labors, by thus going forth to teach and to exhort. Gladly will I consider any such nominations as the clergy may send me, of persons whose prudence and Christian character may fit them for such duty.

THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Having been deputed with sundry others, to convey the fraternal greetings of this church to our sister church in Canada, I went to Montreal last September, and by invitation of the Metropolitan delivered the sermon at the opening of the Synod. The occasion was of exceeding interest. Their substantial unity with ourselves, and the diversity of their methods afforded room for reflection and study. Two things specially impressed me, the deference cheerfully rendered to Episcopal authority, and the freedom of communication between the two Houses of Convocation. Thus, when the Bishops desired explanation, they sent for the Prolocutor, or in one instance for the Committee in the other House which had had the matter in hand, and conversed with them. Had we some such custom among ourselves, our Bishops would no doubt be saved from the annoyance of sending down propositions which they have seriously considered and agreed to with unanimity, only to have them rejected in the House of Deputies almost without a hearing.

The General Convention of 1883 had before it much important business. I submit to you a certified copy of proposed changes in the constitution of the Church, which may be properly referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Lectionary of the Church was finally perfected and adopted and will henceforth be printed in the Prayer Book, all other alternatives being finally abrogated. As Chairman of the Committee which for many years has had this work in hand, I was gratified at the unanimity of the final vote.

The report of the Committee on Enrichment of the Prayer Book, on which committee it has also been my privilege to serve for three years past, chiefly occupied the attention of the Convention. Numerous changes were agreed to, which are now subjected to our deliberate criticism and will come before the Convention of 1886 for final action.

Of the merits of the changes and enrichments proposed to us, I will not now speak. But we may well pause a moment in grateful recollection of our guidance in this undertaking. The task was at once delicate and difficult. We had need to reconcile conserv-

atism with progress, to guard things ancient and venerable and yet to meet new exigencies. It would have been easy to arouse prejudice and to excite the spirit of party. That in the prolonged consultations of the committee there should have occurred nothing to regret, and that the substantial result of their labors should have been accepted almost unanimously, may well fill our mind with wonder, and with gratitude to Him who maketh men to be of one mind in an house.

In conclusion, I would give expression in your presence, to my humble acknowledgment of the undeserved mercy and goodness of Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, in an unlooked for restoration of health and strength, separating the year that is past from several years of prolonged infirmity.

I have also in grateful recollection, the patience and the kindness extended to me in time of need, and especially the affectionate and assiduous care of those who watched with me in Port Deposit something more than a year ago, when through a long night I was hanging in extreme agony of body, over the brink of the grave.

Let me say in all honesty, that it was, in that extremity, not a displeasing thought, that God might, in his love for the Church, be preparing the way for an administration of the diocese more effective and more enthusiastically sustained by Clergy and People.

It seems to be His will and pleasure that I shall continue to preside over you. May He so enable us for our several duties and so strengthen the bonds of sympathy and affection which unite us that His work may not languish nor be impeded!

I will detain you no longer from the consultations appropriate to our synodical assembly.

May wisdom and holy zeal for the interests of the Kingdom of Christ, characterize all our deliberations!

On the motion of the Rev. A. Batte, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolved. That before proceeding any further in new deliberations, and as an expression of the feeling of this Diocese, the Convention now unite with the Chairman in returning thanks to Almighty God for the returning to health and strength of our beloved Bishop, whose unavoidable absence we deeply regret and whom our prayers do follow, that, if it be the will of God, he may be long spared to direct and guide us with his wisdom.

In accordance with this resolution the Convention knelt for a few moments in silent prayer, and then the President offered up thanksgiving for the Bishop's restoration to health, and prayer for his continued health and strength.

The Rev. A. R. Walker, then offered the following resolution, which was adopted with a rising vote.

Resolved. That the Secretary be authorized by telegraphic dispatch to communicate to the Bishop our sincere regret that he is providentially called away from us on this occasion, and our earnest hope that he will in due time be safely and happily returned to us and to his work in the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, it was

Resolved. That that part of the Bishop's address referring to the Ecclesiastical Court be referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved. That the changes in the Constitution of the Church proposed by the General Convention, and brought to the consideration of the Diocesan Conventions, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

Dr. Adkins presented the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. On motion referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, it was

Resolved. That the Committee on the Episcopal Fund be authorized to receive assessments for the deficit in the Bishop's salary, and also to make assessments for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard presented the Report of the Board of Diocesan Missions, and also the Report of the Treasurer of the Board. (See Appendix.)

In offering our annual statement of that portion of the Diocesan work — so vitally important and urgent, entrusted to our care, the Committee will first refer to the Treasurer's Report which is appended.

It will appear that the total receipts from the Parishes, reach \$1,562.57.

Expended, \$1,564.57.

Thus the receipts lack only \$2 of meeting the entire expenditure to this date. Not one of the three previous years equal this amount in collections; but even this encouraging exhibit is many hundreds less than the offerings of one or two earlier years.

At least we may gratefully recognize the fact that the annual decrease is stayed; and the present deficit is a trivial one.

This improved condition may, doubtless, be attributed to the circular letter of the Bishop, issued in July last.

In that earnest appeal every important fact and argument and warning is so forcibly urged that the Committee can add nothing in this paper.

But an examination of the returns from each Parish discloses another significant and suggestive fact, viz: That the weaker congregations, the Mission Stations, have furnished the increased total by their liberal offerings. They have responded nobly to the appeal of our Bishop. The method of quarterly payments from each worshiper has been strictly followed. Let the larger Parishes do likewise in the coming year, and once more we may have \$2,000 at the disposal of the Board for this blessed work!

But it is not only needed that the name of each member, even to the youngest child, should be placed on the list. There should appear the law of proportion likewise. If the poorest can pledge 10 cents per quarter, even more cheerfully should the wealthy subscribe their 10 or 20 dollars.

Brethren, this is the difficulty which the Board encounters: that our more prosperous members do not realize the obligation to give according as "God hath prospered them." Let the rich give of their abundance, as the poor of their poverty! Are there not 25 men in our whole Diocese who could pledge \$50 per annum? And are there not twice as many who could promise 20 dollars annually? Your Committee earnestly ask the conscientious consideration of Rectors and Parishes to this suggestion. It is essential to the successful working of that excellent plan to which the Diocese is committed.

The Committee ask the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That, in their subscriptions for the coming year, the more prosperous and wealthy members are urgently entreated to contribute under the Gospel rule, according to the ability which God hath given them.

Resolved, further, That the List of Parishes be now called that the Committee may know upon what basis to make their appropriations for the next twelve months.

THEO. P. BARBER.
L. WALKE.
F. W. HILLIARD,
I. L. ADKINS,
J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

On motion the first resolution offered by the Board was adopted.

On motion the second resolution was adopted, when the Secretary called the roll of Parishes, with the following result :

St. John's Parish.....	\$ 10	Somerset.....	75
St. Mary's White Chapel....	30	Wicomico.....	10
Augustine.....	10	Pocomoke.....	25
North Elk.....	50	St. Michael's.....	45
Trinity.....	50	St. Peter's.....	150
Dorchester.....	25	White Marsh.....	70
East New Market.....	15	Trinity Cathedral.....	50
Great Choptank.....	140	All Saints'.....	75
Vienna.....	10	Salisbury.....	100
Chester.....	100	Spring Hill.....	25
I. U. Parish.....	5	Stepney.....	10
Shrewsbury.....	60	All Hallows'.....	20
St. Luke's.....	50	Worcester.....	20
St. Paul's, Q. A. Co.....	100		
Wye.....	25	Total.....	\$1,885
Coventry.....	30		

The Committee on Canons presented their report re-committed at the morning session and the accompanying resolution was adopted :

The Committee on Canons, serving at the last Convention, to whom was referred the question of the proper interpretation of Art. III of the Constitution, so far as it involves the right of a newly ordained Deacon to a seat and a vote in this Body, respectfully report:

That, in their opinion, the question at issue is readily determined,

1st. By a reference to the actual terms employed in the Article, and—

2nd. By a consideration of the uniform practice on Usage, under the Article, in the Mother Diocese and our own.

The result of such examination on the part of the Committee has established conclusively to their minds that the claimant to a seat and vote as a Clergyman, must have been in Orders for six months.

As a preliminary remark, let it be observed that the several requisites named are expressly stated as applicable to a *Clergyman*. The rights involved, the requirements imposed, are those only appropriate to a person in Orders. They have no pertinence or bearing upon the applicant in his previous relation of a Layman.

It is the very purpose of the Article to define the qualifications necessary when a Clergyman, "of whatever Order," claims a seat and vote in the Convention. But further, one of these requisites or conditions is a "Canonical residence within the Diocese for the six months next before the meeting of the Convention."

Upon the true intent and meaning of this clause the whole question obviously hinges. Only let it be kept in mind that it is the claim or title of a Clergyman—not of a Layman—which is defined.

And it is at once obvious that "Canonical residence" in the capacity of Clergyman can only be intended. Indeed the applicant is only before the Convention in that relation.

It is further significant that in the whole body of Laws—General as well as Diocesan—the expression Canonical residence is thus employed.

Andly.—Grant that there is obscurity or doubt in the phraseology—grant that there is room for another interpretation: we turn from the natural sense of the words used, and find a clear unanswerable vindication. Uniform usage explains the rule and fully establishes our view.

The elder Clergy in the Mother Diocese for many years familiar with the application of this Article there, are surely qualified witnesses. Their testimony should be final and conclusive.

But your Committee, of which the two clerical members were for 20 years in the Convention of the Maryland Diocese, have carefully consulted the most experienced and eminent of their former associates. And the prompt reply has been that the interpretation of this Article now suggested is novelty and surprise to them.

It is true that occasional and rare instances may be quoted in which Deacons of recent ordination have been admitted to seats. Such examples may be found in the Journals of the Maryland Diocese and our own. But the instances are exceptions. They have occurred through inconsideration or inadvertence. The general and received usage, we find, is entirely accordant with the deliberate judgment of your Committee.

We present the following resolution:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted as the sense of this Convention, and the Committee discharged.

THEO. P. BARBER,
ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
JAMES A. PEARCE.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9.30 A. M.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, *June 5th.*

The Convention assembled at 9.30 A. M.

Morning prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Hall and Bowne

After Divine Service the President called the Convention to order.

Mr. W. S. Walker read the report of the Registrar of the Diocese and on his motion, the sum of \$10 was appropriated for the purpose named within:

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports that the preservation and suitable arrangement of the documents and volumes in his care have received his close attention.

To the number of Journals of the Maryland Diocese valuable additions have recently been made. The list is now nearly complete. For this much desired result we are largely indebted to the active co-operation of the esteemed Librarian of the Mother Diocese.

Many Pamphlets and Sermons have also been collected and classified. But these papers should be neatly bound without delay. To this end a small appropriation is needed and respectfully requested.

Occasional Historical volumes are published during the year, (such as those of the Bishop of Iowa,) which certainly ought to be in our Library; but the Registrar has no authority or funds to apply in this direction.

It would be most gratifying if our wealthy Laymen would from time to time present such publications to the Diocesan Library.

The supply of the earlier Journals of our own Diocese is rapidly diminishing under frequent calls. It soon will be necessary reluctantly to decline all requests for them, save those which come from permanent Library Associations.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,

Registrar of the Diocese.

The Rev. Dr. Dashiell from the Committee on the Episcopal Residence, presented the following report:

The Committee appointed at the Convention in Chestertown, in June, 1883, so much of the Bishop's Address as referred to an Episcopal Residence and Library Room for the Diocese of Easton, report progress, and beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved. That this Convention earnestly commend to the people of the Diocese the crying necessity of an Episcopal Residence and Library Room, and continue the Committee appointed on that subject.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. H. E. Bateman, it was

Resolved. That 100 copies of the Report of the Committee on the Episcopal Residence be printed and sent to the Rectors and Vestries of every Parish in the Diocese, with an appeal for prompt action.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved. That Canon I be amended by striking out the words, "at least three months before the meeting of the Convention."

On motion referred to Committee on Canons.

Mr. James A. Pearce, Chancellor of the Diocese, presented the following report:

To the Convention of the Diocese of Easton:

In compliance with the suggestion of the Bishop of the Diocese I respectfully submit the subjoined report of such matters of Diocesan interest as have been referred to me since my appointment as Chancellor at the last Diocesan Convention.

The Rev. Oliver H. Murphy, Deacon in charge of Coventry Parish, Somerset County, being in doubt as to the legality of holding the regular meeting for the election of Vestrymen at St. Mark's Church, Kingston, instead of the old church at Rehoboth, his request for information was referred to me, and I advised that all such elections should be held at the Parish Church, and that the old church at Rehoboth, though long since disused, is still, in legal contemplation, the Parish Church for Coventry Parish.

The 2nd section of the Vestry Act of 1798 requires such election to be held "at their Parish Church," or if there shall be "two or more Protestant Episcopal Churches in any Parish, at the church first built therein," "or if there be in any Parish no such church" (that is no Protestant Episcopal Church) "then at such other place as the Rector of the Parish, or if there be no Rector, as any three or more Vestrymen may appoint."

Rehoboth Church, being conceded to have been the church first built, was the original Parish Church, and no Act of Assembly having constituted any other church the Parish Church, I conclude it is still such and thus the place designated by law for holding the election for Vestrymen.

The 7th section of the Act of 1798 also required regular quarterly meetings of the Vestry at the place designated for the elections of Vestries; but the Act of 1828, ch. 136, gave permission to hold all *Vestry meetings* at any time or place most convenient.

This permission however did not extend to meetings for the election of a Vestry, which was still required to be held at the Parish Church.

Accordingly, Special Acts have been passed by the Legislature, from time to time, allowing the election of Vestries elsewhere than at the Parish Church, as the Act of 1822, ch. 110, making the church in Chestertown the Parish Church, instead of the old church then standing at I. U. Also 1825, ch. 73, making the church in Berlin the Parish Church. Also of 1827, ch. 79, authorizing election of Vestry for Somerset Parish, at Princess Anne, instead of the Parish Church at Monie. In the changed condition of the population of the Diocese, and of the location of the church buildings now in use in many of the old Parishes, the object of the Vestry Act is rather hindered than helped by the requirement to elect the Vestry at the original Parish Church, and I would suggest that authority be sought from the Legislature for each Vestry, either in their own discretion, or if thought preferable with the consent of the Convention, to designate which church shall be the Parish Church where there shall be more than one church in any Parish.

There has also been referred to me an inquiry from Mr. J. J. Hall, Registrar of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County, in reference to the proper

construction of that portion of the Canon on the election of Vestries, adopted by the Convention of 1882, which requires the Registrar of the Parish to "present a list of the Parishioners who were duly enrolled one month previous to the Easter meeting," &c. Some of the Parishioners holding only those were "duly enrolled" who were registered anew every year one month before Easter; and others holding that all those who had paid the sum required by the Vestry Act and were so credited on the books of the Parish, were thereby members of the congregation, and were duly enrolled.

Inasmuch as this Canon was designed only to secure orderly proceeding under the Vestry Act, the requirements of that Act must of course determine the question, and I had no difficulty therefore in advising Mr. Hall that no one could be deemed duly enrolled within the meaning of the Canon, except such white male citizens, above twenty-one years of age, and resident in the Parish six months next preceding the election, who had (1) been entered on the books of the Parish, one month preceding the election, as members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and (2) who had contributed to the charges of the Parish such sum for the year preceding as the Vestry should have made known not exceeding \$2.00, and that his list to be furnished to the Easter meeting should include all these and none others.

In my judgment being "entered on the books as a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church" implies a declaration of membership by each person desiring to be enrolled, and I therefore recommended to Mr. Hall the practice which has prevailed in Chester Parish as appears from the Records for over 70 years, namely, to set apart a space in the Parish Register to be headed as follows: "We, the subscribers, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do each of us enroll ourselves as members of the Protestant Episcopal Church agreeably to the provisions contained in the Act of Assembly for that purpose made and provided," and to be signed by every one qualified for and desirous of enrollment.

The Treasurer's Books, in connection with the Parish Register, will thus enable the Registrar to make up the list each year.

These are the only matters upon which I have been called to give any official advice or opinion,

JAMES A. PEARCE, *Chancellor.*

On motion of Mr. Pearce, it was

Resolved. That Dr. I. L. Adkins, be and he is hereby appointed as agent or attorney of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, for the purpose of acknowledging all deeds to be executed by the Convention in its corporate capacity, to make the necessary affidavit to all mortgages taken by the Convention, and to execute all releases of the same, and the Bishop of the Diocese is hereby requested to issue the proper power of attorney to be executed to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

The Secretary read the report of the Home of Friendless Children, and also the Report of the Treasurer of the same. (See Appendix.)

Time for the order of the day—12 M.—having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee, and other officers.

The President appointed as tellers the Rev. Messrs. Batte and Adkins, and for the lay vote Messrs. Seth and Wattson.

The Rev. Dr. Stearns nominated the members of the last Standing Committee, and the Rev. S. C. Roberts to the vacancy caused by the removal of the Rev. Dr. Wilson.

Mr. R. Hollyday nominated the Rev. A. R. Walker.

Mr. McMaster nominated the Rev. F. W. Hilliard.

Mr. G. R. Goldsborough nominated the Rev. W. Y. Beaven.

The Secretary called the roll of Clerical and Lay Delegates, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The tellers appeared and reported the following names as having received the requisite number of votes, and therefore elected.

The Rev. P. Theo. Barber, D. D.,

The Rev. John O. Barton, D. D.

The Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell.

There being one person yet to be elected, a second ballot was taken with no election.

The third ballot resulted in the election of the Rev. Stephen C. Roberts.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Dashiell, the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the following officers:

Treasurer of the Convention.—Mr. Thos. Hughlett.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.—I. L. Adkins, M. D., R. B. Carmichael, H. H. Dashiell, George R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Charles Lowndes and William S. Walker.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex officio*; Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D. and Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Registrar.—The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

Officers and Managers of the Home of Friendless Children.—(See Report of Board of Managers in Appendix.)

The Rev. Dr. Stearns, for Committee on Canons made the following Report.

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a proposed Amendment to Article XI, of the Constitution, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved. That Article XI, of the Constitution be amended by adding at the end of it, the following paragraph.

In case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Office, the power of the Bishop to call Special Conventions shall devolve on the Standing Committee.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

The Secretary read the following nomination by the Bishop :

Trustees of Trinity Cathedral.—H. E. Bateman, J. F. Bateman, James P. Dawson, Thos. K. Robson, Paul Winchester, Charles Seymour.

The nominations were confirmed by the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. E. J. Stearns, from the Committee on Canons presented the following report ; the resolution on motion was adopted.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred a resolution amending Canon I, recommend the passage of the resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That Canon I, be amended by striking out the words, “ at least three months before the meeting of the Convention.”

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, from the Committee on Parochial Assessments presented their report ; the first resolutions appended was on motion adopted.

The second resolution was then adopted.

The Committee on Parochial Assessments beg leave to submit the following report of amounts received on account of Assessments for the year 1884 :

FOR THE CONVENTION FUND.

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$ 5 00	St. Paul's, Q. A.....	40 00
St. Mary's White Chapel. ..	5 00	Coventry.....	10 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00	Somerset.....	40 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00	St. Michael's.....	14 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00	All Saints'.....	14 00
St. James', Port Deposit...	12 50	Whitemarsh.....	25 00
Dorchester	8 00	Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
E. N. Market.....	8 00	Pocomoke	18 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00	Spring Hill.....	12 00
Vienna.....	5 00	Salisbury.....	30 00
Chester	40 00	All Hallows'.....	18 00
North Kent.....	15 00	Stepney.....	5 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00		
Wye.....	10 00		\$484 50
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	5 00		

In order to meet the expenses for the year 1884-'85, we propose the assessments in the resolutions following :

Resolved, That the Convention Fund be assessed to the several Parishes as below.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$ 5 00	St. Paul's, Q. A.	40 00
St Mary's, White Chapel...	8 00	Coventry.....	10 00
St. Mary Anne's	15 00	Somerset.....	40 00
North Sassafras.....	75 00	St. Michael's.....	14 00
Trinity, Elkton.	20 00	Miles River.....	14 00
St. James', Port Deposit...	12 50	All Saints'.....	14 00
Dorchester	8 00	St. Peter's.....	50 00
E. New Market.....	8 00	White Marsh.....	25 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00	Trinity, Cathedral.....	10 00
Vienna.....	5 00	Pocomoke.....	18 00
Chester	40 00	Spring Hill.....	12 00
I. U.....	5 00	Salisbury	30 00
North Kent.....	20 00	All Hallows'.....	18 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00	Worcester.....	15 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00	Stepney.....	5 00
Wye.....	10 00		
Christ Church, Kent Island.	15 00		\$641 50
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	10 00		

DELINQUENT PARISHES, 1883, 1884.

St. Paul's, Kent.....	\$20 00	St. Peter's.....	50 00
Christ Church, Kent Island.	49 50	Worcester.....	30 00
Miles River.	14 00		
			\$163 50

Resolved, That the back assessments against I. U. Parish be remitted.

For reasons which appeared to the Committee to be sufficient, the assessments in several instances have been increased.

Signed,

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Chairman*.

H. E. BATEMAN,

E. DASHIELL,

J. A. FIELD.

The Rev. A. R. Walker, from Committee on the Episcopal Fund, presented their report; the resolutions appended were on motion severally adopted.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund are happy to report, that after a careful consideration of the statements of the Trustees, they are satisfied that this important interest is in a healthy condition, and that the Trustees merit the full confidence of the Convention in their labor of love.

The only recommendation that suggests itself to your Committee is, the importance of gradually reducing the *number* of securities, as opportunities offer in the good judgment of the Trustees.

We note with special gratification that fewer Parishes than usual are reported as delinquent, that several have cancelled past dues, and that this year the amount received at the Convention is in excess of that received any previous year; we judge from these facts, that the Diocese has become more fully trained in this respect, and that our people are also more cheerfully disposed to meet this just obligation.

They recommend the following resolution:

1. *Resolved*, That the assessment of five hundred dollars be continued, with the view of adding any surplus that may be left over, after paying the salary, to the principal of the fund.

2. *Resolved*, That the Secretary be directed to publish in the Journal the amount due from the several Parishes for the year, with their respective arrearages.

3. *Resolved*. That the Treasurer be requested to address circulars to the Wardens and Vestries as well as the Rectors of the delinquent Parishes, stating the amount of their indebtedness and urging payment as soon as possible.

4. *Resolved*, That because of the peculiar circumstances of the case, the arrearage of I. U. be remitted.

ALBERT R. WALKER,
R. C. MACKALL,
W. S. CRAFT.

On motion of Mr. W. S. Walker, it was

Resolved, That all the arrearages of all the delinquent Parishes, either for Episcopal or Convention Funds be remitted, without qualification, with the hope and belief that they will pay in the future.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Rev. A. R. Walker was nominated to fill the vacancy in the Ecclesiastical Court.

On motion the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention, and the Rev. Mr. Walker was declared elected.

It was further moved by the Rev. Dr. Stearns, that that part of the Bishop's Address regarding the election of an Ecclesiastical Court be referred to the Committee on Canons to report at the next Convention. Adopted.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Prayer Book be referred to a Committee consisting of three Clergymen and two Laymen, to report to the next Convention.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 8 P. M. Evening prayer was said the Rev. Messrs. E. K. Miller and W. W. Greene.

After Divine Service the President called the Convention order.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, it was

Resolved, That the next meeting of the Convention be held in St. Paul Church, Centreville.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, No Christian man can be satisfied in conscience without doing all that in him lies, to remedy the great evil of a divided Christendom:

Resolved, That we cannot refrain from expressing an earnest desire that some effective enterprise may be set on foot for the purpose of establishing communication between ourselves and other leading religious bodies of this country, which shall tend to the formation of an American Church, including within its fold all people in our land who hold the primitive and Catholic Faith.

Resolved, That the above resolution be referred to a Committee, consisting of the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the Rev. J. O. Barton, D. D., and the Rev. M. Batte, with instructions to report at the next annual Convention.

Mr. Levin Woolford, from the Committee on Accounts, presented their report:

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the Reports of the Treasurer of the Convention, Treasurer of the Board of Diocesan Mission and the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, respectfully report that they have carefully examined each of said accounts, and find the accounts stand as follows:

Treasurer of the Convention.

Balance in hand from 1882.....	\$224 03
Receipts in the year 1883	583 80
	<hr/> \$807
Disbursements to 1st June, 1884.....	763
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Leaving balance in hand 1st June, 1884.....	\$ 44

Treasurer of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

Amount expended to June 1st, 1884.....	\$1,564 57
Amount received " " " "	1,562 57
Deficiency in receipts... ..	\$ 2 00

Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund.

Amount of cash on hand 1st June, 1883.....	\$544 95
Amount received to 1st June, 1884, from sundry Parishes and from interest on investments.....	399 02
	—————\$ 943 97
Amount invested, September, 1883.....	600 00
Cash in hands of Treasurer, June 1st, 1884.....	313 97
Investment of Fund, June 1st, 1884.....	2,400 00
Amount of Fund, June 1st, 1884	\$2,743 97

The Committee have carefully examined the vouchers of the Treasurer of the Convention and find them correct and all the disbursements properly accounted for.

LEVIN WOOLFORD,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
JOSEPH B. SETH.

At this stage of the proceedings the President introduced Dr. R. C. Mackall, who addressed the Convention on the subject—"The Church's Mission in this Country."

On motion of Mr. H. S. Coudon, it was

Resolved, That each Rector be requested to appoint one Layman in his Parish, who shall co-operate with the General Committee in their efforts to secure an Episcopal Residence.

Mr. Coudon stated that the laymen present were actively interested in this important Diocesan work.

The Rev. S. C. Roberts offered the following resolutions, which were severally adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Convention are due and are hereby most heartily tendered to the citizens of Princess Anne and vicinity, for the very cordial hospitality with which they have been received and entertained.

Resolved, That we with pleasure acknowledge the consideration of the Rector and Vestry of the Church for the use of the same, and for their attention to the convenience and comfort of the members of the Convention.

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pay the sexton of this Church the sum of \$10.

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to have 700 copies of the Journal printed.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due to the choir of this Church for the excellent music they have given us.

The President appointed the following Committee on the Enrichment of the Prayer Book, to report at the next Convention: The Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the Rev. Wm. Schouler, the Rev. G. W. Bowne, Dr. R. C. Mackall, and Mr. J. Frank Bateman.

On motion of Mr. Levin Woolford, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to express to the Rev. Dr. Satterlee the thanks of this Convention for his excellent and instructive sermon delivered at the opening of the Convention.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Dr. Stearns, Mr. Levin Woolford, and Mr. Joseph B. Seth.

The Rev. F. W. Hilliard, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented their report; on motion of the Chairman the resolution appended was adopted.

Your Committee on the State of the Church beg leave respectfully to report:

They have carefully examined the Parochial Reports, and leaving the exact account of moneys contributed for General and Diocesan purposes the reports of the several Treasurers, and the tabulated statement, which will be published in the Journal, merely remarking, that the exhibit in regard to them has been and will be favorable and cheering, they desire call attention to the work of the past year, and the present condition of the Diocese in certain other important respects.

Baptisms Last Year.....	Adults 21; Infants 333
This Year.....	" 36 " 502
Confirmations Last Year.....	80
This Year.....	152
Communicants added Last Year.....	190
This Year.....	235

They are well satisfied from the facts laid down before them, that the people are becoming much more thoughtful of the welfare of their pastors. In only two or three instances do they find the salary paid to be less in amount than that pledged, and in some instances it is larger. Contributions

plies, in addition to contributions in money, are thankfully reported. Churches are multiplying with great rapidity. Where remarks are appended to Reports, the tone of the clergy seems to indicate that they are heartily imbued with the sympathy and co-operation of their people. Among the material improvements reported are the following: Church repaired and new church in St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's County; Rectory in Miles River, Talbot County; Rectory at East New Market Parish; Rectories contracted for at Centreville and Denton; New Church on Kent Island; New Church at Massey's, and Chapel in the same Parish; Chapel greatly improved at Elkton, and repairs projected on Church at Snow Hill in All Hallows' Parish; Church improved in Dorchester Parish and in Coventry Parish; Church projected at Cordova in All Saints' Parish; renovation of Church at East; recess chancel contracted for in Salisbury; corner-stone of new Church laid at Cambridge.

Truly this is an encouraging picture. Surely your Committee is fully satisfied in offering the following resolution:

Resolved, That the encouraging record of the past year, the zeal and activity of the Clergy, with the blessing of God upon their labors, the increase in spiritual harvest, the abundant signs of material prosperity, coming to us at the very time, when we learn of the greatly improved health of our country, move the Church in this Diocese to profound thankfulness, and such steadfastness and fidelity in the Master's service as it has never yet known.

F. W. HILLIARD,
C. K. MILLER,
WM. SCHOULER,
W. E. B. FAITHFUL,
C. H. TILGHMAN,

Committee.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Reverend Mr. Schouler for the impartiality and courtesy that have characterized the performance of his duties.

On the motion the reading of the minutes was dispensed with, and after suitable devotion the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THEO. P. BARBER,

President pro tempore.

W. A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Wardens.—T. W. Downes and A. J. Morgan.

Vestrymen.—Dr. T. S. Reynolds, J. M. Wooters, J. T. Manlove, Charles R. Wooters, W. C. Satterfield, W. J. Dukes, A. J. Morgan, W. T. Ernst.

Families 35; Souls 170; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 39; Total 41; Confirmed 4; Marriages 5; Burials 9; Communicants added 6; present number 50; actually communicating 45; Sunday School, Teachers 5; Scholars 30.

Contributions—Clergy Relief \$2.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$6; Diocesan Missions \$12.55; Home for Friendless Children \$6.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$326.77; Current Expenses \$18; Improvements and Repairs \$4.50; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$2.50.

Church Property.—Rectory valued at \$1,500; Holy Trinity Church,ittings 300; value \$3,000; St. Paul's Chapel,ittings 150; value \$3,000; the Parish owns five acres of land, assessed at \$400.

I must say, and it is pleasant to do so, as being an encouraging proof of a growing and appreciative interest on the part of the people in religious principles and truths, as they are presented in the Church's orderly and reverent ways, that my services have been in greater demand, especially in the administration of baptism and visits to the sick, than in any of the more than twenty-six years of my labors in this Parish.

But here, as is painfully noticeable elsewhere in the Church, the people are not as thoughtful and ready to give to the support of the Rector, as is just and evidently in the compass of their means. Yet I do not think that this neglect of a duty, so manifest to some, proceeds from a heart of unkindness, but more from thoughtlessness and the want of previous training in the duty and art of giving. But they have done encouragingly well. The Vestry promised \$300 for the support of the Rector on the pledge from the Board of Diocesan Missions of a stipend of \$100—they have paid \$326.

The Guild, numbering 25 members, is doing a helpful work, defraying by their earnings the current expenses of the Church at Hillsborough. The people have been quite generous in gifts to the household and table of the Rector.

GEORGE F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

Wardens.—George M. Russum and Geo. W. Richardson.

Vestrymen.—George M. Russum, P. W. Downes, J. W. Bryant, Charles Stevens, C. W. Byrne, W. G. Horsey, G. W. Richardson, R. G. Stewart.

Families 28; Souls 110; Baptisms, Infants 7; Confirmed 2; Marriages 2; Burials 2; Communicants, added 3; removed 1: present number 28; actually communicating 28; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 30.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$25.75; Home for Friendless Children, two barrels of provisions valued at \$20.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$300; the Rector also receives as part of his salary from the Board of Diocesan Missions \$300; Current Expenses \$54.32; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$20.75; the Guild has in bank about \$225 for painting the Church and for a Rectory.

Church Property.—Church,ittings 125; value \$2,400; Insured for \$1,600.

On account of the sickness of the Rector and unavoidable absence from the Parish, some of the collections are not mentioned in this report. The congregation, worshipping in a school house in the upper part of the Parish, have contributed towards the Rector's support, in addition to the salary, \$13.75. Since the last Convention a branch Guild has been organized, called Christ Church Young People's Guild. Quite a large donation of groceries was made to the Rector and his family last winter.

SAMUEL D. HALL, *Rector*.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. T. Price and Benj. P. Hanson.

Vestrymen.—Wm. T. Price, Benj. P. Hanson, Joseph H. Steele, John H. Blaine, G. Oldham Massey, Geo. W. Kibler, Robert H. Baker, Byron Bouchelle.

Families 19; Souls 96; Baptisms, Adults 3; Infants 10; Total 13; Burial 1; Communicants, added 3; present number 28; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 35.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society \$2.30.

For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$1.16; Diocesan Missions \$4.12; Home for Friendless Children \$2.02.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200; amount paid \$200; Current Expenses \$45.95; Improvements and Repairs \$10; Other purposes \$36.

Church Property.—St. Augustine Church,ittings 100; value \$500; Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,520.

WM. SCHOULER, *Rector*.

St. Mary Anne's or North Elk Parish.

Wardens.—Samuel L. Chamberlain and Samuel W. Day.

Vestrymen.—Henry S. Coudon, Geo. P. Whitaker, John Mauldin, Samuel L. Chamberlain, Joseph Coudon, Wm. H. Simcoe, Samuel W. Day, J. H. Simcoe.

Families 70; *Souls* 300; *Baptisms*, Adults 7; *Infants* 63; *Total* 70; *Confirmed* 4; *Marriages* 5; *Burials* 24; *Communicants*, added 10; died 2; removed 4; *present number* 100; *Sunday Schools*, *Teachers* 10; *Scholars* 100; *Parish School*, *Teacher* 1; *Scholars* 15.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$12.50; Foreign Missions \$12.50; Jewish Mission \$1.92.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Charge Relief Fund \$14.44; Diocesan Missions \$66.12; Home for Friendless Children \$1.44.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$700; *Current Expenses* \$150; *Improvements and Repairs* \$652.50; *Communications and other Charities for the Poor* \$50.50; *For all other purposes* \$23.70.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$5,000; Insured for \$2,000; Saint John's Church, *Stings* 250; value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Mark's Chapel, *Stings* 100; value \$1,800; Saint John's in the Wilderness Chapel, *Stings* 100; value \$500; the Parish owns 18 acres of land, assessed at \$2,500.

The Church has been entirely remodeled during the past year. All the debt on the Chapel of Saint John's in the Wilderness has been paid during the past year.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector*.

North Sassafras Parish.

Wardens.—John C. Crookshank and David P. Davis.

Vestrymen.—Samuel E. Wills, George Biddle, David P. Davis, William Ward, Henry Clark, John C. Crookshank, Thomas C. Crookshank, Henry S. Crookshank.

Members 20; *Souls* 100; *Baptisms*, *Infants* 20; *Marriages* 13; *Burials* 12; *Communicants*, removed 3; *present number* 50; *Sunday School*, *Teachers* 10; *Scholars* 60.

Contributions. For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$5.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Charge Relief Fund \$22; Diocesan Missions \$50; Home for Friendless Children \$5.

For Parochial Uses. Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; *Current Expenses* \$581.31; *Improvements and Repairs* \$158.47; *Communications and other Charities for the Poor* \$30.55.

Church Property. Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500; St. Stephen's Church, *Stings* 300; value \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Stephen's

Chapel, Sittings 125; value \$2,800; Insured for \$2,600; the Parish owns 300 acres of land, assessed at \$15,000.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector*.

Trinity Parish.

Wardens.—W. W. Henderson and Alfred Wetherill.

Vestrymen.—Dr. R. C. Mackall, John S. Wirt, W. W. Henderson, Alfred Wetherill, Lewis T. Roberts, Henry P. Leslie, John Partridge, R. G. Reese.

Families 51; Souls 200; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 5; Total 7; Confirmed 7; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Communicants, added 3; died 1; removed 2; present number 79; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 42.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$81.10; Clergy Relief, and for Widows and Orphans \$5; Jewish Missions \$4.06.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$16; Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$1.38; Diocesan Missions \$62.71; Home for Friendless Children \$13.53; Additional (extra—Parochial) \$10.02.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$152.45; Improvements and Repairs \$250; Communion Alms and Charities for the Poor \$4.76; Sunday School Offerings \$14.71; Vacation Fund for Rector \$26; For all other purposes \$59.45.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$3,000; Trinity Church, Elkton, Sittings 200; value \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$356.

WILLIAM SCHOULER, *Rector*.

St. James' Church.

Wardens.—W. W. Hopkins and R. E. McClenahan.

Vestrymen.—R. E. McClenahan, W. W. Hopkins, Wm. H. Noble, Jas. M. Touchstone, W. W. Davis, E. J. Rinehart, John F. Mohrlein, Chas. F. Wentz.

Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 70.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10; Convention Fund \$12.50; Diocesan Missions \$19.75.

For Parochial Uses.—Amount paid for occasional supply of Ministers \$156; Current Expenses \$86.10.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000.

This Church has been without a Rector for more than a year.

R. E. McCLENAHAN, *Warden*.

Dorchester Parish.

Wardens.—H. S. Carroll and Thomas W. Stapleforte.

Vestrymen.—Wm. W. Mace, Samuel M. Travers, Thomas K. Carroll, J. H. Edmondson, John M. Willis, Robt. L. Spilman, T. W. Stapleforte, H. S. Carroll.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infants 7; Burials 4; Communicants, added 1; removed 1; present number 28; actually communicating 25 Sunday School, Teachers 3; Scholars 10.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$2.30; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$2; Mission to the Jews \$1.40.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$8; Diocesan Missions \$25.75; Home for Friendless Children \$7.69.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$135.15; Current Expenses \$51.55; Improvements and Repairs \$40.

Church Property.—Trinity and Grace Churches,ittings 360; valued at \$8,600; Grace Church insured for \$8,000.

The attendance at both Churches continues to be encouraging. Trinity Church has been further repaired, having been plastered and whitewashed inside. The Sunday School here, which had suspended, has recently been started again. This congregation has also had the present of a handsome set of Communion linen as a memorial gift. A good horse has, through the kindness of friends, in and out of the Parish, been provided for the use of the Rector. He will thus be able to hold a number of more services and be greatly aided in Pastoral visiting.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector*.

East New Market Parish.

Wardens.—Dr. J. T. Jacobs and Thomas J. Helsby.

Vestrymen.—T. J. Hicks, J. H. Wright, Dr. J. H. Thomas, J. W. Andrews, E. S. Johnson, Thomas Leekie, W. E. Johnson, J. T. Smith.

Families 25; Souls 105; Baptisms, Infants 3; Confirmed 3; Communicants, added 5; removed 1; present number 40; Sunday School. Teachers 4; Scholars 20.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$7; Convention Fund \$8; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2.50; Diocesan Missions \$12.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200; amount paid \$200; Current Expenses \$24; Improvements and Repairs \$300; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$12.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at (including lot) \$1,000; Insured for \$600; Saint Stephen's Church,ittings 120; value (including lot) \$500.

The Rev. W. H. Phillips relinquished the charge in December, 1883, and was succeeded by the present Rector in March, 1884. The Rectory, well-located, substantially constructed and in good repair, was purchased last winter, and is an important and valuable addition to the property of the Parish. It has been completely and suitably furnished through the kindly and generous efforts of the ladies of the Church.

CHARLES H. VANDYNE, *Rector*.

Great Choptank Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. R. Hayward and Edwin Dashiell.

Vestrymen.—Alex. H. Bayly, Dan'l M. Henry, Wm. R. Hayward, Thos. B. Steele, Charles F. Goldsborough, Edward W. LeCompte, Edwin W. Dashiell, George W. Mundy.

Families 93; Souls 500; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 23; Total 24; Confirmed 9; Marriages 5; Burials 10; Communicants, added 18; died 5; removed 15; present number 182; Sunday School, Teachers 15; Scholars 170.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$34; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews \$3.60.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$25; Convention Fund \$30; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$7; Diocesan Missions \$140; Home for Friendless Children \$36.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$750; Current Expenses \$180; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$170.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,300; Insured for \$1,600; St. John's Chapel, value \$900; Insured for \$800; St. James' Chapel, value 1,000; Insured for \$700.

To complete and furnish our new Church after the excellent plans of our Architect, we require yet \$2,000. But we are greatly encouraged by the brotherly kindness and generous assistance of dear Brethren at a distance. Nobly have they shared our burden. And this fraternal sympathy not only disposes to grateful acknowledgment; it also stimulates our own people to larger sacrifice and renewed zeal.

On Easter Monday the Bishop laid the corner-stone with fitting words and prayer in the presence of a great multitude.

It was inevitable that, in this one absorbing struggle, the attention of the Rector should be largely diverted from his usual Parish work. But the Assistant Minister, with cheerful, efficient service, has met the emergency; and receives the hearty thanks of the Rector and Parishioners.

The Rector especially rejoices that, in so great trial, the Parish has not interrupted the usual contributions for Diocesan and General Mission claims.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector*.

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Assistant Minister*.

Vienna Parish.

Wardens.—W. S. Craft and Jas. A. Higgins.

Vestrymen.—Jas M. Robertson, Dr. Eugene Hodson, Thomas Higgins, Noah I. Kennerley, Wm. H. Turpin, R. Watson Webb, Wm. S. Craft, Jas. A. Higgins.

Families 14; Souls 46; Baptism, Infant 1; Communicants, added 1; died 1; present number 18.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$3; Diocesan Missions \$5.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, promised \$100; amount paid \$83.33; Current Expenses \$10.

Church property.—St. Paul's Church,ittings 150; value \$400. The Parish owns two acres of land.

The difference in amount of salary promised and amount paid, is owing to the fact that the Rev. W. H. Phillips resigned about Jan'y 1st, 1884, and Rev. C. H. Vandyne did not undertake the charge until March 1st, 1884.

CHAS. H. VANDYNE, *Rector*.

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

Wardens.—N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes.

Vestrymen.—W. N. E. Wickes, G. B. Westcott, G. W. T. Perkins, J. A. Pearce, W. S. Walker, E. F. Perkins, S. Hepbron Blackiston, W. Frank Hines.

Families 35; Souls 142; Baptisms, Infants 24; Marriages 3; Burials 18; Communicants, added 6; removed 1; present number 103; Sunday School, Teachers 7; Scholars 67.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$50; Domestic Missions \$4.05; Foreign Missions \$3.80; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$20.24; Promoting Christianity among the Jews \$9.75.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$15.06; Diocesan Missions \$109.60; Home for Friendless Children \$37.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$172.01; Improvements and Repairs \$45.53; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$75.25.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,500; Emmanuel Church,ittings. 281; value \$6,000; Chapel,ittings 85; value \$400; its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector*.

I. U. Parish.

Vestrymen.—James Gemmell, Samuel Wallis, Ed. Hepbron, Luther Handy, J. H. Hossinger, Wm. Smith, Albert Perkins.

Families 24; Souls 100; Communicants 23.

Contributions.—Diocesan Missions \$5.81; Prayer Book Society \$2.09; Clergy Relief \$2.

This Parish is still without a Rector. Only occasional services have been held for over two years past. By authority of the Bishop, I am now supplying the congregation with a Sunday service. I am glad to be able to report an excellent feeling among the Parishioners, who seem rejoiced to have the services revived. The attendance has increased, and the prospect of better days is encouraging.

JOHN MARTIN, *Acting Rector*.

North Kent Parish.

Baptisms, Infants 3; Confirmed 8; Communicants, last reported 50; added 9; removed 4; present number 55; Marriages 2; Burials 2.

Contributions.—\$5,635, all from necessity spent in the Parish, except \$15 for Convention Fund, and \$2.16 for Diocesan Missions.

J. N. WATTSON, *Rector*.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—George Jessop and Henry Nichols.

Vestrymen.—Jos. Raisin, Stevenson Constable, George Beck, Chas. Wheatley, Romie Strong, George Bell, James Rankin, Thos. A. Hulme.

Families 40; Souls 200; Baptisms, Infants 9; Confirmed 5; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Communicants, added 5; removed 2; present number 65.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Missions \$3.70; Home for Friendless Children \$9.09.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$18.75; Communion Alms \$30; For all other purposes \$72.43.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$1,875; St. Paul's Church,ittings 250; value \$4,000; Insured for \$2,025. The Parish owns 50 acres of land.

HENRY WALL, *Rector*.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Wardens.—John C. Sutton and H. C. Wallis.

Vestrymen.—J. W. Hurtt, N. W. Comegys, J. Medford Armstrong, D. J. Nowland, Henry Parr, G. W. Jacoby, J. W. Ireland, E. B. Pennington.

Families 65; Souls 250; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 17; Total 19; Confirmed 8; Marriages 3; Burials 4; Communicants, added 15; died 2; removed 7; actually communicating 91; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers 8; Scholars 60.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions, \$12; Foreign Missions \$6; Mission to the Jews \$2.81; Clergy Relief 10 per cent. of Alms.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$28.75; Diocesan Missions \$57.66; Home for Friendless Children \$28.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$630.75; Current Expenses \$247.90; Improvements and Repairs \$163; Communion Alms and other Charities \$47.16; Special \$26.

Church Property.—Rectory valued at \$1,952; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Church,ittings 200; value \$3,253.50; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena, value \$2,800; Insured for \$1,600. The Parish owns 10 acres of land, assessed at \$1,000.

Considerable improvements have been made in the church-yard, by the filling up of several holes, some of which were in existence as far back as

1713. Walks have been laid off, and other changes made, at an outlay of somewhat more than \$100. A neat organ, costing \$125, has been placed in the Chapel in Galena, the money being raised through the zeal of one lady—while the children have occupied their hands by raising *mites* wherewith to improve the chancel of the Chapel.

R. HEBER MURPHY, *Rector*.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wardens.—W. P. Thompson and Jas. W. Goodhand.

Vestrymen.—Ed. C. Legg, Wm. P. Thompson, Wm. Henry Legg, E. S. Skinner, Jas. W. Goodhand, Wm. P. Tanner, Wm. B. Goodhand, J. B. Hopkins.

Families 19; Souls 100; Baptisms, Infants 3; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Communicants, added 1; present number 30; Sunday School, Scholars 33.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$7.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$50; Convention Fund \$35; Diocesan Missions \$3.75.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$30; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$5; Carpet for Church \$75.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church,ittings 150; value \$2,500.

The consecration of the Church has been deferred on account of inability to obtain workmen to complete the belfry which is now in process of erection. We hope to have it completed at an early day and the consecration will soon follow. The farms held in trust by the Vestry are improving and are now under efficient management, and we are hoping that good results will follow.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector*.

St. Luke's Parish.

Wardens.—W. E. B. Faithful and Washington Collins.

Vestrymen.—Wm. Gould, Joseph E. George, James Brown, Wm. H. Newnam, R. J. Catlin, A. J. Gadd, J. W. Appleford, E. S. Valliant.

Families 46; Souls 180; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 10; Total 12; Confirmed 13; Burials 5; Communicants, added 14; died 3; removed 4; present number 94; Sunday School, Teachers 7; Scholars 72.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$5.16; Clergy Relief \$1; N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society \$4.15.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5.61; Diocesan Missions \$65.65; Home for Friendless Children \$6; Convocation \$9.15.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$550; amount paid \$550; Current Expenses \$88.15; Improvements and Repairs \$5,000; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$12.12.

Church Property.—Rector, valued at \$2,400; Insured for \$1,600; St. Luke's Church, Sittings 250; value \$5,250; Insured for \$3,500; Furniture on same insured for \$400; St. Andrew's Chapel, Sittings 150; value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,700. The Parish owns 1½ acre of land.

During the past year the old Rectory has been removed and a new one built in its stead. The new Rectory is a large and convenient dwelling, and adds very much in attractiveness to the surroundings of the old Church.

J. S. ELLIS, *Rector*.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—Richard T. Earle and William B. Earle.

Vestrymen.—Richard T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, John B. Brown, Wm. H. Warren, Edwin H. Brown, Richard Hollyday, Josiah J. Hall, Charles N. Clash.

Families 70; Souls 300; Baptisms 18; Confirmed 7; Marriages 7; Burials 12; Communicants, added 11; died 3; removed 8; present number 150; actually communicating 135; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 54; Parish School, Teachers 2; Scholars 28.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$66.25; Clergy Relief \$5; Society for Conversion of Jews \$8.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$13.55; Diocesan Missions \$99.26; Home for Friendless Children \$45.28. Miscellaneous \$10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$183.97; Improvements and Repairs \$1,303.48; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$83.11; For Sunday School Objects \$33.92; For all other purposes \$122.59.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church, Sittings 350; value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

The Vestry have entered into a contract to build a new Rectory, an improvement which the Parish has long needed. Under the item of improvements in above report, is included the sum of \$1,252.64, contributed by the congregation toward this object.

The Sunday School offering amounted during the year to the sum of \$77.94, of which \$65.37 were contributed toward the Rectory. The Ladies' Church Aid Society have contributed to charities \$23.15 and towards improvements \$48.84. The Ladies' Church Missionary Society have materially aided in raising the offering toward General Missions. All of the above sums are included in the report of Contributions.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector*.

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Wardens.—J. P. Davidson and R. H. Hopkins, M. D.

Vestrymen.—Hon. R. B. Carmichael, C. H. Tilghman, J. P. Davidson, C. Cockey, M. D., Tilghman Paca, W. W. Rose, H. R. Hopkins, M. D., C. W. McConnor.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 81; Total 82; Confirmed 7; Marriages 3; Burials 8; Communicants, died 2; removed 9; present number 84; actually communicating 67.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$18.25; Clergy Relief \$5.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$10.22; Diocesan Missions \$30; Home for Friendless Children \$25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500; amount paid \$528; Current Expenses \$95.18, Improvements and Repairs \$32.58, Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$11.15; For all other purposes \$16.75.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200; Wye and Queenstown St. Luke's Churches, Sittings 350; value \$2,600. The Parish owns 3½ acres of land.

The Rector thinks the Parish is moving slowly but surely in the right direction.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector*.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Wardens.—Thomas Williams and Charles Curtis.

Vestrymen.—Thomas Williams, Charles Curtis, Edmund J. Davy, John S. Sudler, Alfred Turpin, Chas. C. Wetherill, John Miles, Baldwin Hufty.

Families 59; Souls 245; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 56, Total 58; Confirmed 8; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Communicants, added 13; died 1; removed 4; present number 86; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 35.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$1.18; Domestic Missions \$15.77; Foreign Missions \$3; Increase of Ministry \$3.16; Mission to Jews \$1.78.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8, Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5.86; Diocesan Missions \$50.41; Home for Friendless Children \$2.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$578.50; Current Expenses \$50; Improvements and Repairs \$357.92, Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$20.75; For all other purposes \$32.93.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Stephen's Church, Sittings 200; value \$1,500; Insurance on SS. Stephen's and Paul's \$2,950.50; St. Mark's Chapel, Sittings 100; value \$800; St. Paul's Church, Sittings 200; value \$2,400.

During the past year a deep interest has been shown in the welfare of this old and venerable Parish, and in some cases in spiritual things. A new roof, weather-boarding and paint has added much to the general appearance of St. Mark's Chapel. The amount expended (\$194.56) for these improvements was raised by the small congregation worshipping at the chapel. Something has been done in the way of improvements at St. Paul's Church, Annames-

sex. A neat walnut pulpit has been added to the chancel furniture of St. Stephen's. The energetic ladies of the Aid Society have partly furnished the Rectory. This Society is a great help in the Parish. The Church is gradually winning her way, and there is reason to hope, by the Divine blessing attending the united efforts of pastor and people, that this Parish will speedily recover from its weakness and inefficiency which from various causes it has suffered for some years past.

OLIVER H. MURPHY, *Rector*.

Somerset Parish.

Wardens.—John Woolford and P. Mark Smith.

Assistant Wardens.—G. A. Dougherty and T. H. Fitzgerald.

Vestrymen.—Isaac S. Atkinson, William J. Brittingham, H. H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, William H. Gale, Omar A. Jones, Robert J. Waller, Levin Woolford.

Families 86; **Souls** 390; **Baptisms**, Infants 10; **Confirmed** 6; **Marriages** 6; **Burials** 5; **Communicants**, added 9; died 2, removed 3; present number 190; **Sunday Schools**, Teachers 12; **Scholars** 75.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions, Special \$22; Assistance to feeble Parishes \$10; Nashotah Mission \$10; Sufferers by the Floods \$16.50; Increase of Ministry \$75; Clergy Relief \$20.50; Society for Christianizing the Jews \$6.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$27.85; Diocesan Missions \$90; Home for Friendless Children (offering \$17, clothing \$10.93) \$27.93; For the Episcopal Residence, paid Treasurer \$160.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary \$727.44; Current Expenses \$225.40; Improvements and Repairs \$164.50; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$30; a Chalice for Communion Service \$25; Altar Cloth \$15; a Horse for the Rector \$150; Other Purposes \$50.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,500; St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne, Sitings 300; value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saints', Monie, value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$5,523.40.

The sum totals of the above "Receipts and Contributions" is as follows:

For Church at Large.....	\$ 160 50
" Diocesan Purposes.....	378 28
" Parish Uses.....	1,387 34

\$1,926 12

JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector*.

Wicomico Parish.

Wardens.—J. D. Costen and Ernest Pusey.

Vestrymen.—Wm. E. Jones, Wm. I. Anderson, Jno. W. Barnett, Harry T. Costen, Alex. Green, M. F. Bounds, Geo. Bounds, Elias Bailey.

Families 21; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infants 4; Confirmed 2; Communicants added 2; present number 28; Sunday School, Teachers 7; Scholars 50.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$12.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$75; amount paid \$40.00; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$8.

Church Property.—Grace Church,ittings 120; value \$1,500.

F. B. ADKINS, Rector.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

Wardens.—C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt.

Vestrymen.—S. S. McMaster, C. C. Lloyd, John E. Hayward, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, Geo. T. Truitt, Geo. W. Bailey, J. W. Dougherty, Jr.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 15; Total 16; Confirmed 8; Marriage 1; Burials 7; Communicants, added 10; died 2; removed 1; present number 123; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 100.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$8.80; Conversion of the Jews \$4.37.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15; Convention Fund \$18; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$4.60; Diocesan Missions \$28.99; Home for Friendless Children \$36.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary \$400; Current Expenses \$178.46; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$5.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250; value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,ittings 150; value \$1,000; School-House and lot \$100; its Invested fund amounts to \$445.47.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, Rector.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

Wardens.—John T. Harrison and George W. Tyler.

Vestrymen.—John C. Adams, John T. Harrison, Wm. Willis, George Tyler, Eugene Denny, Dr. William Caulk, James H. Covey, Arthur.

Families 12; Souls 800; Baptisms, 6; Confirmed 6; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Communicants added 8; died 1; removed 1; present number 85; actual 80; Sunday School, Teachers 11; Scholars 65.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$5; Foreign Missions \$11; Clergy Relief \$11.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$17; Convention Fund \$14, Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$18.44; Diocesan Missions \$45; Home for Friendless Children \$36.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$194; Improvements and Repairs \$81; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$85.47; For all other purposes \$150.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$2,000; Christ Church,ittings 850; value \$15,000; Insured for \$10,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak; value \$1,000; Holy Innocents' Chapel, Claiborne; value \$800; its Invested Fund amounts to \$3,000.

The Earnest Workers have put a beautiful bronze cross upon the altar as a memorial of Mr. Henry D. Didier, who by his last will and testament contributed liberally to the new Church. We have also received an elegant altar frontal and book marks from a friend; and from another friend a beautiful pair of bronze Eucharistic candlesticks. So little by little, our chancel is becoming, through loving hearts and busy liberal hands, fitted to celebrate the memorial sacrifice of our adorable Lord.

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, *Rector*.

St. Peter's Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. W. Minnick and Richard T. Martin.

Vestrymen.—Sam'l Hambleton, Dr. I. L. Adkins, Dr. John C. Earle, M. T. Goldsborough, Dr. J. E. M. Chamberlaine, E. L. F. Hardcastle, F. C. Goldsborough, Oswald Tilghman.

Families 64; **Souls** 400; **Baptisms**, Infants 8; **Marriages** 3; **Burials** 8; **Communicants**, added 9; removed 9; present number 146; actually communicating 85; **Sunday School**, Teachers 12, Scholars 100.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$18.87; Clergy Relief \$35.01; Rev. Mr. Ross, for work in Ireland \$15.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Missions \$169.76; Home for Friendless Children \$32.50; Special Clergy Relief \$63.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,200; amount paid \$1,200; Current Expenses \$250; Improvements and Repairs \$140; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$170; For all other purposes \$974.72.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Christ Church,ittings 450; value \$16,000; Insured for \$12,000; Sunday School Chapel, value \$2,000.

The customary annual improvements of the Church appointments and property have not been omitted. Handsome gas-fixtures have been put up, a new organ purchased for the Sunday School, and a substantial fence placed around the property. With this report the connection of the present Rector with the Parish ceases, his resignation taking effect on the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention.

ROBERT WILSON, *Rector*.

Whitemarsh Parish.

Wardens.—John W. Martin and Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Vestrymen.—Wm. A. Kirby, John Warner, James T. Bartlett, Robert Bartlett, Joseph B. Seth, James H. Benson, John W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Families 66; Souls 300; Baptisms, Infants 12; Confirmed 4; Marriages 6; Burials 6; Communicants, added 8; died 4; removed 1; present number 121; actually communicating 99; Sunday School, Teachers 8, Scholars 80.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$9.50; Foreign Missions \$29.50; Indian Missions \$66; Clergy Relief \$3; Mission to the Jews \$3; N. Y. Bible and Prayer Book Society \$3.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$25; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$35.26; Diocesan Missions \$69.10; Home for Friendless Children \$53.89; Cash for Episcopal Residence (beside notes,) \$22; Christ Church, Cambridge, \$76.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$159.73; Improvements and Repairs \$430; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$37.39; For all other purposes \$410.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Paul's (Trappe) Church, Sittings 250; value \$3,500; Insured for \$2,500; Grace (Oxford) Chapel \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector*.

Trinity Cathedral.

Wardens.—J. F. Bateman and James P. Dawson.

Trustees.—H. E. Bateman, J. F. Bateman, James P. Dawson, Thomas K. Robson, Paul Winchester, Charles Seymour.

Families 21; Souls 104; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 14; Total 15; Confirmed 7; Marriage 1; Burials 7; Communicants, added 5; died 1; removed 9; present number 42; Sunday School, Teachers 7; Scholars 82.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Jewish Missions \$2.42.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Missions \$46.68; Home for Friendless Children \$14.16.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$60; Improvements and Repairs \$43; Communion Alms and other Charities \$38.25; For all other purposes \$10.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,750; Insured for \$1,500; Church, value \$1,000; Insured for \$600; its Invested Fund amounts to \$300.

THE BISHOP, *Rector*.

J. W. LARMOUR, *Assistant Minister*.

All Saints' Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. R. Goldsborough and A. P. Neal.

Symen.—Harrison Austin, J. McD. Goldsborough, G. R. Goldsborough, George Thompson, C. H. Rose, M. D., J. T. Kirby, Thomas Hopkins, Sr., N. Willis.

Families 46; Souls 210; Baptisms, Infants 11; Marriages 2; Burials 5; Communicants, removed 3; present number 65; actually communicating 38; Day School, Teachers 2; Scholars 25.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$41.87; Clergy \$43.02; Society for the Conversion of Jews \$17.26.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Society Relief Fund \$25.96; Diocesan Missions \$63.61; Home for Friendless Children \$87.69.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$174.10; Current Expenses \$174.10; Improvements and Repairs \$75; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$41.05.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,300; All Saints' Church,ittings 150; value \$8,000; Insured for \$6,000. The Parish has 33 acres of land.

Work has begun on the Chapel at Cordova, and we have a good hope to report to the next Convention that it has been finished and consecrated.

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Rector*.

Miles River Parish.

Wardens.—Commodore Chas. Lowndes and C. Howard Lloyd.

Symen.—T. H. Oliver, D. C. Trimble, Robert Hough, J. H. Wheeler, Francis Barry, C. F. Eastman.

Families 20; Souls 91; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 20; Total 22; Marriages 2; Burials 2; Communicants, added 8; removed 5; present number 43; actually communicating 48.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$9.48.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Missions \$28.29; Home for Friendless Children \$5.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$174.10; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$41.64.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800.

I wish here to thank my many kind friends for the great kindness and official sympathy shown me of late, and especially would I remember the two very earnestly sympathizing friends who sent the munificent donation I received at Easter. The above report reaches up to Easter only, and is therefore necessarily imperfect for the full Diocesan year, and appropriations which should then and later have been made, are not included. A notable event of the year has been the building of a Rectory. With the exception of laying out the grounds, and putting up a fence and barns, the work is complete.

F. B. CROZIER, *Rector*.

Nothing has been done in the way of repairs at Klej Grange other than to make the building comfortable.

The vestry is now raising means to put a new roof on the Church building in Snow Hill.

A. BATTE, *Rector*.

Worcester Parish.

Wardens.—John R. Purnell, John S. Purnell.

Vestrymen.—John S. Purnell, W. S. Purnell, Dr. H. C. Hudson, William Showell, B. Jones Taylor, John F. Jones, John T. Keas, Dr. T. J. Holloway.

Families 87; Souls 155; Baptisms, Infants 7; Confirmed 3; Marriages 2; Burial 1; Communicants, present number 65; Sunday School. Teachers 6; Scholars 29.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions (Sunday School Lent Offerings) \$11.27; Clergy Relief (Easter Offering) \$14.88.

For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$44.86.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$550; amount paid \$185; Current Expenses \$33.41; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$11.20; For all other purposes (by Ladies' Parish Aid Society) \$48.55.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church,ittings 200; value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,200; St. Martin's Chapel, value \$1,800.

This report is mainly of work done since February, 1884, when the present Rector took charge. The Parish had then been vacant nearly a year. Three of the baptisms during the vacancy, as also the three confirmed, and the two marriages.

JOHN R. JOYNER, *Rector*.

St. Paul's by the Sea.

Wardens.—J. A. Fields and W. S. Purnell.

Trustees.—W. B. R. Selby, R. J. Henry, W. S. Purnell, J. A. Fields, R. Q. Taylor, J. R. Purnell.

Families, transient.

Church Property.—St. Paul's by the Sea Church,ittings 300; value \$2,000

RIGHT REV. H. C. LAY, D. D., *Rector*.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

During the past year, amid much and increasing infirmity, I have preached seventeen times, administered the Holy Communion twice, assisted in its administration repeatedly, officiated at the burial of the dead once, and read service, in whole or in part, on more than fifty occasions.

Easton, May 31st, 1884.

E. J. STEARNS, *Presbyter.*

The undersigned respectfully reports that for the past year he has been engaged in such literary work as impaired health would permit, being physically disqualified for Parochial duties.

Baltimore.

E. G. PERRYMAN, M. D.

I would respectfully report to the Bishop of the Diocese of Easton, that until November 21st, 1883, I performed the duties of Chaplain at the Hannah More Academy. At that date letters dimissory were given me to the Diocese of Maryland.

Reisterstown, Md., June 4th, 1884.

P. DU GUÉ TRAPIER.

WILMINGTON, *May, 28th, 1884.*

Rt. Rev. H. C. LAY, D. D.

DEAR BISHOP:

At the date of my last report I was officiating for the vacant congregation of St. James, Port Deposit.

These duties were continued until the middle of October following.

During the winter I was often unwell, but was able frequently to assist the Rector of Holy Trinity, Wilmington, and to instruct a class of young men of that Parish. Since April first, I have resumed the charge of I. U. Parish, Kent County, under authority of the Bishop, where I officiate once each Sunday.

During the Conventional year I have performed the following duties in the several congregations above mentioned on sixty-nine occasions.

Number of Sermons and Addresses 46; Holy Communion administered 13; Baptisms, Infants 5; Presented for Confirmation 2; Funerals 4; Marriage 1.

JNO. MARTIN.

TABLE I.—STATISTICS OF PERSONS.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	Families.	Individuals.	BAPTISMS.			Marriages.	Funerals.	COMMUNICANTS.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		PARISH SCHOOLS.	
			Adult.	In- fant.	Confirma- tions.			Add.	Re- moved.	Present No.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.
St. John's.....	35	170	2	39	4	5	9	6	..	50	5	30	..	..
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	28	110	..	7	2	2	1	3	1	28	6	30	..	..
Augustine.....	19	96	3	10	..	..	1	3	..	28	4	35	..	..
North Elk.....	70	300	7	63	4	8	24	10	4	100	10	100	1	15
N. Sassafras.....	20	100	..	20	..	13	12	..	3	50	10	60	..	..
Trinity, Cecil.....	51	290	2	5	7	2	6	4	1	79	6	42	..	..
St. James.....	*30	*115	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	70	..	..
Dorchester.....	20	120	..	7	3	..	4	1	1	28	3	10	..	..
East New Market.....	25	105	..	3	3	..	..	5	1	40	4	20	..	..
Vienna.....	14	46	1	23	..	5	10	18	15	18	..	..	..	..
Great Choptank.....	93	500	1	23	..	3	18	6	1	103	15	170	..	..
Chester.....	35	142	..	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	67	..	..
L. U.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
North Kent.....	..	..	..	3	8	2	2	9	4	55	..	..	..	..
St. Paul's, Kent.....	40	200	..	5	5	1	2	6	2	65	..	..	..	..
Shrewsbury.....	65	250	2	15	8	3	4	15	7	91	8	60	..	..
Christ Church.....	19	100	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	30	3	33	..	..
St. Luke's.....	46	180	2	10	13	..	5	14	4	94	7	72	..	..
St. Paul's, Q. A. Co.....	70	300	..	31	7	7	12	11	3	8	8	150	2	29
Wye.....	..	..	1	31	7	3	8	11	2	9	84	..	..	..
Coventry.....	59	245	2	56	8	1	6	13	4	86	..	35	..	..
Somerset.....	80	389	..	10	6	6	5	9	3	190	12	75	..	..
Wicomico.....	21	120	..	4	2	..	7	2	..	28	7	50	..	..
Pocomoke.....	..	..	1	15	8	1	5	10	2	1	123	8	100	..
St. Michael's.....	62	300	..	6	6	3	5	8	1	85	11	65	..	..
St. Peter's.....	64	400	..	12	4	6	6	9	9	146	12	100	..	..
Whitmarsh.....	66	300	..	15	7	1	5	8	4	121	8	30	..	..
Cathedral.....	21	104	1	11	..	1	7	5	1	42	7	82	..	..
All Saints.....	46	210	..	11	..	2	5	..	..	65	2	25	..	..
Miles River.....	20	91	2	20	..	2	8	..	3	43	..	..	..	..
Salisbury.....	105	420	4	32	20	4	5	25	1	175	18	170	..	..
Spring Hill.....	100	400	2	8	2	1	2	7	4	142	..	..	..	..
Steney.....	22	115	..	1	..	2	2	..	5	14	..	..	..	..
All Hallows.....	23	225	4	5	9	7	10	11	1	2	10	70	..	..
Worcester.....	37	155	..	7	3	2	2	..	65	..	6	30	..	..
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals.....	1,407	6,509	43	489	143	97	194	240	32	2,690	313	1,684	3	43

Summary of Parochial Reports.

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OR CONGREGATION.	General Mission	Domestic Mission	Foreign Mission	Indian Mission	Mission to Jews	Increased Ministry	Clergy Re	Episcopal Fund	Convent Fund	Clergy Re	Diocesan Mission	Home of Friend	Parish Expenses	Improve- ment	Commun- A	Other Purp
St. John's.....							\$2 00	\$4 00	\$5 00	\$6 00	\$12 55	\$6 00	\$344 77	\$4 50	\$2 50	.....
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....								4 00	5 00	1 16	25 75	20 00	300 00	54 32	20 75	\$38 30
Augustine.....								12 00	15 00	14 44	4 12	2 02	345 95	652 50	60 50	125 70
North Elk.....	\$12 50	\$12 50						40 00	50 00	22 00	66 12	4 46	850 00	652 50	60 50	
N. Sassafras.....								40 00	50 00	22 00	66 12	4 46	850 00	652 50	60 50	
Trinity, Cecil.....	\$31 10							16 00	20 00	4 38	62 71	13 53	1,581 31	280 00	30 55	90 21
St. James.....								10 00	12 50		19 75	7 69	242 10	40 00	4 76	
Dorchester.....			2 30					7 00	8 00	2 50	25 75	7 69	171 70	40 00		
East New Market.....								25 00	30 00	7 00	14 50	38 25	224 00	300 00	12 00	
Great Choptank.....	34 00							4 00	5 00	3 00	140 00	38 25	930 00	300 00	170 00	
Vienna.....								33 00	40 00	15 06	101 60	37 00	1,702 01	45 53	75 25	
Chester.....	50 00	4 05	3 80								2 00	9 09	618 00		30 40	72 43
I. U.....											3 70	9 09	618 75		47 16	28 25
North Kent.....											57 66	28 25	878 65		5 00	
St. Paul's, Kent.....		12 00	6 00								3 75		830 00		5 00	
Shrewsbury.....		7 00									65 65		6 00		12 02	
Christ Church.....											99 26		638 15		5,000 00	
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	5 16										13 53		1,183 97		83 11	166 51
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	65 25										10 22		623 18		32 58	11 15
Wye.....	18 25										5 86		2 00		357 92	20 75
Coventry.....	1 18	15 77	3 00								90 00		952 54		30 00	438 50
Somerset.....	22 00										12 50		40 80		8 00	
Wilmington.....											28 99		578 66		5 00	
Pocomoke.....	8 80										45 00		30 00		85 47	150 00
St. Michael's.....		5 00	12 00								18 44		994 00		170 00	1,053 22
St. Peter's.....											169 76		1,450 00		430 00	37 39
Whitemarsh.....		9 50	29 50								69 10		759 73		38 25	10 00
Cathedral.....											46 68		660 00		41 06	
All Saints.....	41 87										28 29		600 00		41 64	
Miles River.....		9 48									70 00		1,341 75		316 53	112 50
Salisbury.....		10 00									28 50		194 55		30 00	
Spring Hill.....											10 00		100 00		2 00	
Stepney.....											28 82		725 00		17 67	
All Hallows'.....	20 65	1 00	1 00								44 36		168 41		11 20	48 55
Worcester.....	11 27															
St. Paul's by the Sea.....																
Totals.....	307 40	108 30	75 10	67 00	74 87	78 16	186 37	493 00	586 50	*943 97	*1564 57	702 71	27,905 66	9,637 33	1,138 57	3,302 00

Contributions for all purposes: General, \$897.20; Diocesan, \$4,267.75; Parochial, \$38,732.56; Other purposes, \$3,302.00; Total, \$47,199.71.

* These totals are taken from the reports of the Diocesan Treasurers.

TABLE III.—STATISTICS OF BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY.

PARISHES.	RECTORY.		CHURCHES.			GLEBE.		INVESTED FUND.
	Value.	Insurance.	Number.	Value.	Insurance.	Sittings.	No. Acres.	Value.
St. John's.....	\$1,500 00	.....	2	\$6,000 00	.....	150	5	\$400 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	.....	.....	1	2,400 00	.....	125	.....	.....
Augustine.....	.....	.....	1	2,400 00	.....	100	.....	.....
North Elk.....	5,000 00	.....	3	11,400 00	\$3,950 00	600	18	2,500 00
North Saugatuck.....	3,000 00	\$2,000 00	2	6,500 00	8,600 00	225	300	15,000 00
Trinity, Cecil.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	1	4,000 00	2,000 00	200	.....	.....
St. James.....	.....	.....	1	4,000 00	2,000 00	200	.....	.....
Dorchester.....	1,000 00	600 00	2	2,500 00	3,000 00	250	.....	.....
East New Market.....	2,500 00	1,600 00	2	1,500 00	900 00	120	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	1,500 00	.....	2	1,500 00	.....	150	.....	.....
Vienna.....	1,500 00	.....	2	1,500 00	.....	150	3	.....
Chesler.....	1,500 00	.....	2	10,000 00	.....	350	.....	1,000 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	4,000 00	.....	2	7,000 00	.....	400	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	3,000 00	1,875 00	1	4,000 00	2,025 00	250	50	.....
Shrewsbury.....	1,852 00	1,464 00	2	7,250 00	4,060 00	250	10	1,000 00
Christ Church.....	1,500 00	1,000 00	2	2,500 00	.....	150	.....	.....
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	2,400 00	1,600 00	2	7,750 00	2,100 00	400	1 1/2	.....
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	1,200 00	.....	2	6,000 00	4,000 00	350	.....	1,000 00
Wye.....	1,000 00	600 00	2	2,500 00	.....	350	3 1/2	.....
Corenny.....	1,000 00	.....	2	4,700 00	2,850 00	300	.....	.....
Somerset.....	2,000 00	1,500 00	2	9,000 00	6,000 00	300	.....	5,523 40
Wilmot.....	1,500 00	.....	2	1,500 00	.....	120	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	2,500 00	1,250 00	2	6,000 00	3,000 00	400	.....	445 47
St. Michael's.....	4,000 00	2,000 00	2	16,800 00	10,000 00	500	.....	3,000 00
St. Peter's.....	2,500 00	3,000 00	2	16,000 00	12,000 00	450	.....	.....
Wilmington.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	2	4,700 00	3,500 00	250	.....	.....
Cathedral.....	2,750 00	1,500 00	1	1,000 00	600 00	200	.....	300 00
All Saints.....	3,000 00	2,300 00	1	8,000 00	6,000 00	150	83	.....
Mill River.....	1,500 00	.....	1	5,000 00	.....	100	.....	.....
St. Matthew's.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	1	5,500 00	3,000 00	350	11	1,000 00
Salisbury.....	1,200 00	.....	2	6,000 00	.....	500	3 1/2	408 70
Spring Hill.....	1,500 00	.....	2	1,000 00	.....	150	.....	.....
Stoney.....	1,500 00	.....	2	6,500 00	.....	350	.....	1,000 00
All Hallows.....	.....	.....	2	4,500 00	1,500 00	300	.....	4,200 00
Worcester.....	.....	.....	2	4,500 00	.....	300	.....	.....
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	.....	.....	1	9,000 00	.....	300	.....	.....
Totals.....	\$11,503 00	\$30,719 00	99	\$128,800 00	\$81,456 00	9,818	438 1/2	\$20,000 00

Totals

APPENDIX.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

During the past year the contemplated improvements have been made, and the home enlarged by the addition of an Infirmary and two sleeping rooms. The furniture for the Infirmary was a memorial gift from a lady of Philadelphia, formerly resident in Elkton. The interior arrangements of the Home are now specially comfortable and convenient. The whole cost was thirty-three hundred and three dollars and forty-one cents. (\$3,303.31.)

In August we received the bequest of twenty-nine hundred and thirty-three dollars and seventy-six cents, (\$2,933.76,) from Rev. Dr. McKenney, to be used only for the support of children from Great Choptank and East Newmarket Parishes, Dorchester County, and St. Paul's Parish, Kent County. This has been invested and the interest will be so appropriated.

Two children have been placed at homes, leaving the present number, seventeen. We can now receive seven or eight destitute children, and would prefer to take them from almshouses. The health of the inmates has been remarkably good. Liberal donations were received at Thanksgiving from various Parishes, besides many articles from individuals of the town and county.

Annexed is a list of provisions, &c.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*

MRS. D. CORNELIA DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

LIST OF BARRELS AND BOXES RECEIVED.

One barrel flour—Mr. John Holt of St. John's Parish, Caroline Co.

AT THANKSGIVING.

Dorchester Parish—one box groceries, canned fruit and sundries.
Christ Church, Denton—groceries, soap, vegetables, canned fruit, &c.
St. John's Chapel, Miles River—poultry, rice and vegetables.
Trinity Chapel, Easton—vegetables, wheat, &c., from church decoration.
From Baltimore—one barrel flour.
All Saints' Parish—a wagon load of poultry, vegetables, canned fruit, meal, flour, and other articles.
St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County—poultry, soap, vegetables, groceries, and tomatoes, &c.

Wye Parish—vegetables, flour, poultry, coffee, canned and preserved fruit, &c.
 St. Michael's Parish—vegetables, poultry, sugar, canned fruit, &c.
 Trinity Parish, Elkton—one large box of dry goods, groceries, hams, canned fruit, potatoes, &c.
 Augustine Parish, Cecil County—groceries, buckwheat, canned fruit, &c.
 At Christmas from Chestertown—box of candy for the children.
 A parishioner of St. John's, Caroline—groceries and dry goods.
 In April from Coventry Parish—box of canned fruit, bacon, &c.

LIST OF PARISHES WHERE CHILDREN ARE CLOTHED.

St. Mary Anne's Parish, Great Choptank Parish, Shrewsbury Parish, Chestertown Parish, Berlin, Princess Anne, North Sassafras Parish, Salisbury, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County, Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent County, Whitmarsh Parish, each clothe one child. Three children are clothed in St. Michael's Parish; two ladies of Baltimore clothe a child; two ladies of Wye Parish, one child; a lady of St. James' Church, Port Deposit, one child, Christ Church Guild, Denton, one child.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

Mrs. HENRY C. LAY, *President*.
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 " J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer*.
 " M. M. DAWSON, *Corresponding Secretary*.
 " J. C. W. POWELL, *Recording Secretary*.

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Miss E. BATE.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN

in account with MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

CECIL COUNTY.

N. Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church.....	\$25 00	
Augustine Parish.....	2 02	
Trinity Church, Elkton.....	10 48	
N. Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Church.....	5 51	
Total from Cecil County.....		\$43 01

KENT COUNTY.

Shrewsbury Parish.....	\$28 25	
Chester Parish, Chestertown.....	37 00	
St. Paul's Parish.....	9 09	
Total from Kent County.....		74 34

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish, Centreville.....	\$40 53	
Wye Parish.....	26 00	
St. Luke's Parish, Church Hill.....	6 00	
Total from Queen Anne's County ..		72 53

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	\$1 00	
St. John's Parish.....	6 00	
Total from Caroline County.....		7 00

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Great Choptank Parish.....	\$31 25	
Dorchester Parish.....	7 69	
Great Choptank Parish, St. John's Chapel.....	5 00	
Total from Dorchester County.....		43 94

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Somerset Parish.....	\$17 00	
Coventry Parish.....	7 25	
Total from Somerset County....		24 25

TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ Church, St. Peter's Parish, Easton.....	\$124 50	
Whitemarsh Parish.....	53 89	
Christ Church, St. Michael's Parish.....	30 00	
Miles River Parish.....	5 00	
All Saints' Church.....	97 69	
Trinity Cathedral.....	43 41	
In Easton and vicinity.....	25 20	
Total from Talbot County.....		379 69

Amount carried forward..... \$644 76

Amount brought forward.....	\$644 76	
WORCESTER COUNTY.		
Pocomoke Parish.....	\$26 00	
All Hallows' Church.....	6 15	
Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	11 00	
Total from Worcester County.....		43 15
WICOMICO COUNTY.		
Salisbury Parish.....	\$9 66	
Spring Hill Parish.....	5 14	
Total from Wicomico County.....		14 80
Total Contributions from Parishes.....		\$702 71
From friends in Baltimore.....	\$4 00	
Interest on Investments.....	384 00	
Money received for one of the children.....	37 50	
Miscellaneous.....	8 90	
Appropriation from the Legislature.....	2,000 00	
McKenney Bequest.....	2,933 76	
Donation from Messrs. J. B. and E. Brown of Queen Anne's Co....	90 36	
Balance in Bank, June, 1883.....	1,975 29	
		7,433 81
Total receipts.....		\$8,136 52

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's Salary.....	\$200 00	
Assistant Matron.....	206 25	
Supplies.....	361 00	
Clothing.....	36 64	
Paid Matron for contingencies.....	55 00	
Fuel.....	97 37	
Medicine.....	13 62	
Stationery.....	9 36	
Miscellaneous.....	105 99	
Paid to children, (of money we hold for their benefit,).....	24 08	
Corporation Seal.....	5 55	
Invested the McKenney bequest.....	2,933 76	
Permission from Fire Insurance Co. to build or add to the Home....	6 46	
Insurance paid on New Building for three years.....	25 25	
Adding to the "Home" and repairs to Old Building.....	3,303 31	
Total spent.....		7,383 64
Balance in Bank.....		752 88
		\$8,136 52

EASTON, May 30, 1884.

Mrs. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, *in account with* THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

1883.	June	—	To balance in hand, as per last report.....	\$224 03
"	7.		To cash and checks of Chairman of Committee.....	583 80
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				\$807 83

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1883.	June	7.	To cash paid Rev. Dr. E. J. Stearns, as per voucher, No. 1.....	\$ 4 80
"	7.		To cash paid Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., as per voucher, No. 2	7 00
"	7.		To cash paid Rev. S. C. Roberts, as per voucher, No. 3	10 00
"	7.		To cash paid Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, as per voucher, No. 4.....	25 00
"	7.		To cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per voucher, No. 5.....	100 00
"	18.		To cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per voucher, No. 6.....	5 00
July	4.		To cash paid Rev. R. Wilson, M. D., as per voucher, No. 7.....	5 00
"	30.		To cash paid Messrs. James & Webb, as per voucher, No. 8.....	144 00
Aug.	3.		To cash paid Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, as per voucher, No. 9.....	22 35
Oct.	—		To cash paid General Convention, as per voucher, No. 10.....	108 00
"	15.		To cash paid Rev. E. F. Dashiell and Rev. J. O. Barton, D. D., as per voucher, No. 11.....	35 00
"	15.		To check to Rev. R. Wilson, M. D., as per voucher, No. 12.....	15 00
"	31.		To check to Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., as per voucher, No. 13.....	17 00
Nov.	15.		To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per voucher, No. 14.....	125 00
1884.	May	5.	To check to Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., as per voucher, No. 15.....	7 30
"	5.		To check to Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, as per voucher, No. 16	8 25
"	29.		To check to Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, as per voucher, No. 17.....	125 00
				<hr/>
				763 70

To this amount balance in hand of Treasurer..... \$ 44 13

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND, WITH
TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Balance of Principal at last report.....	\$863 75
Subscription since paid.....	25 00
Mortgage paid.....	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$1,888 75

INVESTED.

In Mortgages.....	\$1,500 00
Leaving for Investment.....	388 75
	<hr/> 1,888 75

DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST.

Balance brought from last year.....	\$567 18
Received since last report.....	2,071 26
Received from extra Assessment at Convention last year.....	255 59
Received from extra Assessment for the present year from N. Sassafras and Whitmarsh Parishes.....	60 00
Received from sale of past-due Coupons and Scrip.....	537 65
	<hr/> 3,491 68

DISBURSED.

In payment of the Bishop's Salary.....	\$2,500 00
In payment of Taxes.....	139 54
Leaving to pay Salary.....	852 14
	<hr/> 3,491 68

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund respectfully submit the above statement to the Convention, and the Treasurer, and are gratified at being able to report the fund in a healthy and progressive condition—the income from present investments and resources now reaching beyond twenty-two hundred dollars, leaving a deficit of say three hundred dollars. To make up this they can but recommend a continuance of the Parochial assessments adopted by the Convention a few years ago—which, it is hoped, all the Parishes sustain by willing contributions, to the extent of their ability.

It should be noted that over five hundred dollars of the reported returns on investments arose from coupons and scrip sold of heretofore defaulted bonds—longer to be a resource to any great extent. Of the amount of income on hand, one hundred and fifty dollars, six hundred and twenty-five dollars will go to the payment of salary the last of June.

A list of the securities constituting this fund is herewith presented for the information of the Convention, signed by the resident Finance Committee, who certify they examined the same at the bank in Easton, there kept in the safe deposit box, finding them to be listed accurately and fully.

RICHARD B. CARMICHAEL,
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GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
H. H. DASHIELL,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1883.			
June 1.	Cash on hand as per last report..		\$544 95
CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST REPORT:			
June 2.	From Great Choptank Parish.....	7 40	
" 12.	" Pocomoke Parish.....	4 65	
" 12.	" Coventry.....	2 19	
" 12.	" Somerset.....	5 00	
" 12.	" St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	5 00	
August.	" Dividends on Stocks.....	48 00	
Oct. 2.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	12 16	
Dec. 29.	" Katherine Lay of Chicago, Ill.....	10 00	
1884.			
Feb. 2.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	12 28	
Mar. 23.	" Individual offering.....	50 00	
Apr. 16.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	4 30	
" 16.	" Pocomoke Parish.....	4 60	
May. 2.	" All Saints' Parish.....	5 00	
" 5.	" North Sassafras Parish..	22 00	
" 22.	" Salisbury.....	10 00	
" 28.	" Mrs. M. C. W. of St. Michael's Parish.....	10 00	
" 31.	" Interest on loans to this date.....	60 70	
June 1.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	22 71	
" 2.	" Whitmarsh Parish.....	33 26	
" 2.	" All Saints' Parish.....	28 55	
" 2.	" Wye Parish.....	5 22	
" 2.	" Trinity Cathedral.....	7 39	
" 2.	" Chester Parish.....	15 06	
" 2.	" St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County.....	13 55	
Total.....			\$943 97
Deduct from above amount 6 per cent. loan, secured by note, made Sept. 1883.....			600 00
Leaves cash in my hands, June 2, 1884.....			\$ 343 97
Add thereto M. H. A. Stock, at par.....			1,200 00
And 6 per cent. loans, secured by notes.....			1,200 00
Making sum total of Clergy Relief Fund to date			\$2,743 97

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

EASTON, June 2, 1884.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

1883-84. July to April.—Cash paid Drafts of the Bishop—

To St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	\$300 00
To St. Luke's Parish.....	200 00
To St. John's (Caroline) Parish.....	75 00
To Dorchester Parish.....	250 00
To East New Market.....	250 00
To Spring Hill.....	200 00
To Coventry.....	200 00
For Printing.....	31 50
Deficit brought from last year.....	58 07
	<hr/> \$1,564 57

By cash from Trinity (Elkton) Parish.....	\$62 71
" " North Sassafras ".....	50 00
" " St. Augustine ".....	4 12
" " St. Mary Anne's ".....	66 12
" " St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	19 70
" " Chester Parish.....	112 47
" " Shrewsbury Parish.....	43 64
" " St. Paul's (Kent) Parish.....	3 70
" " I. U. Parish.....	5 81
" " North Kent Parish.....	2 16
" " St. Paul's (Q. A.) Parish.....	100 98
" " St. Luke's ".....	65 65
" " Wye ".....	25 25
" " St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	27 75
" " St. John's (Caroline) Parish.....	12 60
" " All Saints' ".....	83 67
" " St. John's (Miles River) ".....	28 29
" " St. Michael's ".....	45 00
" " St. Peter's ".....	169 76
" " Trinity Cathedral.....	43 68
" " Whitemarsh ".....	64 10
" " Great Choptank ".....	140 00
" " Rev. Mr. Nott.....	5 00
" " East New Market ".....	5 40
" " Vienna ".....	5 00
" " Dorchester ".....	25 75
" " Spring Hill ".....	28 50
" " Stepney ".....	10 00
" " Wicomico ".....	12 50
" " Salisbury ".....	70 00
" " Somerset ".....	90 00
" " Worcester ".....	44 36
" " All Hallows' ".....	27 86
" " Pocomoke ".....	29 02
" " Coventry ".....	31 92
Deficiency.....	<hr/> 2 00
	<hr/> \$1,564 57

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

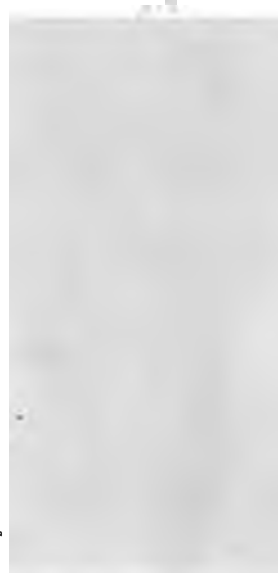
REPORT OF TREASURER OF TRUST FUND,

IN ACCOUNT WITH STEPNEY PARISH.

To amount in hand June 1st, 1883.....	\$111 62
Interest to June 1st, 1884.....	6 70
Amount to credit of Stepney Parish.....	<u>\$118 32</u>

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*



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PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS.

DUE AT CONVENTION, 1885.

	CONVENTION FUND.	EPISCOPAL FUND.	WHOLE AMOUNT.
St. John's, Caroline	\$ 5 00	\$ 4 00	\$ 9 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	8 00	4 00	12 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00	12 00	27 00
North Sassafra's.....	75 00	40 00	115 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00	10 00	30 00
St. James'.....	12 50	10 00	22 50
Dorchester.....	8 00	7 00	15 00
East New Market.....	8 00	7 00	15 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00	25 00	55 00
Vienna.....	5 00	4 00	9 00
Chester.....	40 00	33 00	73 00
L. V.....	5 00	8 00	13 00
North Kent.....	20 00	20 00	40 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	25 00	25 00	50 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00	20 00	40 00
Wye.....	10 00	8 00	18 00
Christ Church.....	15 00	12 00	27 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	10 00	4 00	14 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	40 00	33 00	73 00
Coventry.....	10 00	8 00	18 00
Somerset.....	40 00	33 00	73 00
St. Michael's.....	14 00	17 00	31 00
Miles River.....	14 00	8 00	22 00
All Saints.....	14 00	8 00	22 00
St. Peter's.....	50 00	40 00	90 00
Whitemarsh.....	25 00	20 00	45 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00	8 00	18 00
Pocomoke.....	18 00	15 00	33 00
Spring Hill.....	12 00	5 00	17 00
Salisbury.....	30 00	20 00	50 00
All Hallows'.....	18 00	15 00	33 00
Worcester.....	15 00	12 00	27 00
Stepney.....	5 00	5 00	10 00
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	5 00	.....	5 00

The Secretary has compiled this Table from the Reports of the Committee on Parochial Assessments, and the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

NOTE.—The resolution remitting delinquencies on the above funds does not apply to the year 1884.

St. Peter's Parish should be credited \$40 on the Episcopal Fund for 1884, and Miles River Parish with \$14 on the Convention Fund.

A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

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Our fellow Christians here and elsewhere are subject to many temptations, and it is our duty to warn them that they shall not be overcome.

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Let us remember, however, that mortal men are subject to many sudden infirmities and sicknesses, and we cannot tell what time they shall appear to visit us.

To the end that we may always be in readiness to die, whenever it shall please Almighty God to call us, we must often receive the Holy Communion of our Heavenly Father in Jesus Christ.

We are, however, not to neglect the manner while we are in health, to make us willing to discharge his Deeds, what he oweth, and what is owing unto him, in the better discharge of our conscience, and the quickness of his commandments. Such a diligent performance of duty should be liberal to a poor man.

For as we have felt the various charities and religious undertakings of the Diocese, by the names and conditions given herewith.

HENRY C. LAY.

Rector of Boston.

1. To the Boston Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Eastern Massachusetts, the sum of _____ Dollars for the purchase of copies of the *Journal of the Diocese of Eastern Massachusetts*, for the year ending at the close of the George Robert Fernald year.

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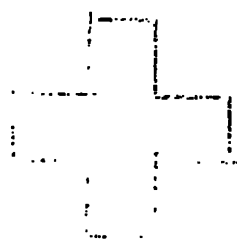
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being Peconok, Maryland, Thos. Hill.

THOMAS HILL, Treasurer, Peconok, Md., All.

ISAAC T. ADKINS, Episcopal Fund.

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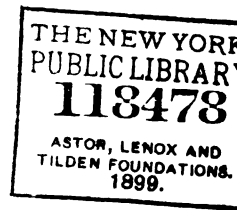
HOME FOR ORPHANED CHILDREN.

Application for admission to the Home for Orphaned Children must be
made in writing to the President of the Board, Mrs. Henry C. LAY, or to the
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. M. Dawson, Easton, Talbot County, Md.

Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and
directed to the Home for Orphaned Children, Easton, Md.

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*. Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its sessions.

*The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D.	Bishop of the Diocese.
" Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.	Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
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" " GEORGE F. BEAVEN.	Rector of John's Parish.
" " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.	
" " * <i>Thomas L. Green</i>	Residing at Church Hill.
" " JOSEPH N. WATTSON.	Rector of North Kent Parish.
" " *JOHN O. BARTON, D. D.	Rector of Somerset Parish.
" " JAMES A. MITCHELL.	Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
" " *JOHN MARTIN.	Officiating in I. U. Parish.
" " E. J. STEARNS, D. D.	Examining Chaplain.
" " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS.	Rector of Chester Parish.
" " LEWIS WALKER.	Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
" " E. K. MILLER.	Rector of North Elk Parish.
" " PHILIP D. THOMPSON.	Rector of Christ Church Parish.
" " W. Y. BEAVEN.	Rector of All Saints' Parish.
" " W. WALLACE GREENE.	Rector of Dorchester Parish.
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" " WILLIAM SCHOULER.	Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.
" " ALBERT WARE.	Rector of Wye Parish.
" " S. D. HALL.	Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.
" " A. BATTE.	Rector of All Hallow's Parish.
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" " *HENRY WALL, D. D.	Rector of St. Paul's Kent Co.
" " R. HEBER MURPHY.	Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
" " OLIVER H. MURPHY.	Rector of Coventry Parish.
" " GEORGE S. GASSNER.	Assistant Minister of Trinity Cathedral.
" " G. W. BOWNE.	Rector of Salisbury Parish.
" " JOHN R. JOYNER.	Rector of Worcester Parish.
" " C. H. VANDYNE.	Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes.
" " CHAS. E. BUCK.	Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
" " JOHN W. CHESLEY.	Rector of Miles River Parish.
" " <i>I. Pleasanton DuHamel, D. D.</i>	Rector of St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.

In all, the Bishop, 32 Priests and 1 Deacon.

LIST OF CLERGY, WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

1.	The Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D.....	Quantico, Wicon
2.	" Rev. F. B. ADKINS.....	Cambridge, Dorche
3.	" " THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D.....	Snow Hill, Worce
4.	" " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D.....	Princess Anne, Some
5.	" " GEORGE F. BEAVEN.....	Hillsborough, Carc
6.	" " W. Y. BEAVEN.....	Longwoods, Ta
7.	" " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D.....	Cambridge, Dorche
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9.	" " CHARLES E. BUCK.....	Tun
10.	" " JOHN W. CHESLEY.....	St. Michael's Ta
11.	" " ERASTUS F. DASHIELL, D. D.....	Chu
12.	" " I. PLEASANTON DUHAMEL, D. D.....	GEORGE S. GASSNER.....
13.	" " THOS. L. GREEN.....	Church Hill, Queen An
14.	" " W. WALLACE GREENE.....	Church Creek, Dorche
15.	" " S. D. HALL.....	Denton, Caro
16.	" " F. W. HILLIARD.....	Pocomoke City, Worce
17.	" " JOHN R. JOYNER.....	Berlin, Worce
18.	" " JOHN MARTIN.....	Lynch's, k
19.	" " ENOCH K. MILLER.....	North East, C
20.	" " JAS. A. MITCHELL.....	Centreville, Queen An
21.	" " OLIVER H. MURPHY.....	Upper Fa
22.	" " R. HEBER MURPHY.....	Locust Grove, K
23.	" " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS.....	Chestertown, k
24.	" " WILLIAM SCHOULER.....	Elkton, C
25.	" " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D.....	Kent Island, Queen An
26.	" " PHILIP D. THOMPSON.....	E. New Market, Dorche
27.	" " C. H. VANDYNE.....	Earleville, C
28.	" " LEWIS WALKER.....	Fairlee, k
29.	" " HENRY WALL, D. D.....	Trappe, Ta
30.	" " ALBERT R. WALKER.....	Wye Mills, Ta
31.	" " A. WARE.....	Massey's, K
32.	" " J. N. WATTSON.....	

Ordained to the Diaconate, Friday, June 5th.

Rev. GEORGE W. LAY.....
" LEWIS T. WATTSON.....Port

LIST

OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;

AND OF

LAY DELIGATES TO THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

Rev. Geo. F. Beaven, Rector.

P. S. Reynolds, M. D.

ST. MARY'S WHITE CHAPEL PARISH.

Rev. S. D. Hall, Rector.

CECIL COUNTY.

AUGUSTINE PARISH.

Rev. William Schouler, Rector.

NORTH ELK PARISH.

Rev. E. K. Miller, Rector.

Henry S. Coudon.

NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.

Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.

David P. Davis.

TRINITY PARISH.

Rev. William Schouler, Rector.

R. C. Mackall, M. D.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

* W. W. Hopkins.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

DORCHESTER PARISH.

Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.

* J. M. Willis.

EAST NEW MARKET PARISH.

Rev. Chas. H. Vandyne,

* E. S. Johnson.

GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH.

Rev. T. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.

* Wm. R. Hayward, M. D.

Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon, Asst. Minister.

* Wm. H. Barton, Jr.

VIENNA PARISH.

Rev. Chas. H. Vandyne, Rector.

W. S. Craft.

KENT COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

CHESTER PARISH.

Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

William S. Walker.

I. U. PARISH.

Rev. John Martin, Rector.

NORTH KENT PARISH.

Rev. J. N. Wattson, Rector.

* L. M. Bean.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., Rector.

* Stevenson Constable.

SHREWSBURY PARISH.

Rev. R. Heber Murphy, Rector.

* John W. Ireland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

E. C. Legg.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Rev. J. P. DuHamel, D. D., Rector.

W. H. Newnam.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

John B. Brown.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.

Rev. A. Ware, Rector.

Chas. H. Tilghman.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.

Rev. O. H. Murphy, Rector.

* John S. Sudler.

SOMERSET PARISH.

Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector.

Levin Woolford.

WICOMICO PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

* Daniel W. Jones, M. D.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

POCOMOKE PARISH.

Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.

C. C. Lloyd.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., Rector.

A. K. Easter.

ST. PETER'S PARISH.

Rev. Chas. E. Buck, Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, OXFORD.

WHITEMARSH PARISH.

Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.

* Jos. B. Seth.

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Lay Delegates.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

The Bishop, Rector.
Rev. G. S. Gassner.

Paul Winchester.
Thos. K. Robson.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.

Chas. H. Rose, M. D.

MILES RIVER PARISH.

Rev. John W. Chesley, Rector.

T. H. Oliver.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.

SALISBURY PARISH.

Rev. G. W. Bowne, Rector.

I. S. Adams.

SPRING HILL PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

A. L. Jones.

STEPNEY PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

John W. Willing.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

ALL HALLOW'S PARISH.

Rev. A. Batte, Rector.

O. D. Collins.

WORCESTER PARISH.

Rev. John R. Joyner, Rector.

T. A. J. Holloway, M. D.

ST. PAUL'S BY THE SEA.

*J. A. Fields.

In all 38 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations represented at the Seventeenth Annual Convention by 23 Lay Delegates.

In attendance at the Seventeenth Annual Convention, Clergy 28, Lay Delegates 23.

CHURCH EDIFICES,

WITH THE

DATES OF CONSECRATION AND RE-DEDICATION

ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE.
 St. Paul's, Hillsborough, (W. R. W.) 1858.
 Holy Trinity, Greensborough, (H. C. L.) 1875.
 ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL.
 Christ, Denton, (H. C. L.) 1874.
 AUGUSTINE, CECIL.
 St. Augustine, (W. R. W.) 1842.
 Church of the Good Shepherd, (H. C. L.) 1883.
 NORTH ELK.
 St. Mary's, North East, (W. R. W.) 1844.
 St. Mark's, Perryville, (W. R. W.) 1845.
 St. John's in the Wilderness.

NORTH SASSAFRAS.
 St. Stephen's { Kemp, { 1824.
 { H. C. L. { 1874.
 St. Stephen's, Cecilton, (H. C. L.) 1879.

TRINITY.
 Trinity, Elkton, { Stone, { 1832.
 { Kerfoot, { 1867.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.
 St. James', Port Deposit, (H. C. L.) 1882.

DORCHESTER, DORCHESTER COUNTY.
 Trinity, Church Creek, (W. R. W.) 1853.
 Grace, Taylor's Island, (H. C. L.) 1873.

EAST NEW MARKET.
 St. Stephen's, (W. R. W.) 1850.

GREAT CHOPTANK.
 Christ, Cambridge.
 St. John's (Whitehouse,) 1853.
 St. James', Maple Dam, (H. C. L.) 1881.

VIENNA.
 St. Paul's, Vienna.

CHESTER, KENT COUNTY.

Emmanuel, Chestertown, (H. C. L.) 1882.

I. U.

Christ, (W. R. W.) 1860.

NORTH KENT.

St. Clement's, 1855, (H. C. L.) 1883.

Holy Cross, Millington, (H. C. L.) 1883.

ST. PAUL'S, KENT.

St. Paul's, (W. R. W.) 1843.

SHREWSBURY.

Shrewsbury, { W. R. W. } 1840.
 { H. C. L. } 1880.

St. Andrew's, Galena, (H. C. L.) 1878.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ, Kent Island, (W. R. W.) 1841.

ST. LUKE'S.

St. Luke's Church Hill, (colonial and restored,) (H. C. L.) 1881.

St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, (H. C. L.) 1880.

ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's, Centreville, { Stone. } 1835.
 { W. R. W. } 1855.

WYE, QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT.

St. Luke's, Queenstown, (W. R. W.) 1842.

St. Luke's, Wye, (W. R. W.) 1854.

COVENTRY, SOMERSET COUNTY.

St. Paul's, Annamessex, (W. R. W.) 1848.

St. Mark's, Kingston, (W. R. W.) 1846.

St. Stephen's, Fairmount, (H. C. L.) 1884.

SOMERSET.

All Saints', Monie, { W. R. W. } 1845.
 { H. C. L. } 1881.

St. Andrew's, Princess Anne, (W. R. W.) 1845.

WICOMICO.

Grace, (W. R. W.) 1848.

POCOMOKE, SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. Stephen's, Naswaddux, (H. C. L.) 1877.

ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ, St. Michael's, { Kemp. } 1814.
 { H. C. L. } 1883.

Holy Innocents, Claiborne.

St. Paul's, Royal Oak, (W. R. W.) 1859.

ST. PETER'S.

Christ, Easton, { (Claggett) 1803.
 (W. R. W.) 1847.
 (Restored) (H. C. L.) 1876.

WHITEMARSH.

St. Peter's, (Dilapidated.)
St. Paul's, Trappe, (H. C. L.) 1872.
Grace, Oxford.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Trinity Chapel.
Holy Cross, Easton Point.

ALL SAINTS.

All Saints, (H. C. L.) 1873.

MILES RIVER.

St. John's (Doane) 1839.

ST. MATTHEW'S, WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's, (W. R. W.) 1849.

SALISBURY.

St. Peter's, Salisbury.

SPRING HILL.

St. Peter's, Spring Hill.
St. Philip's, Quantico, (W. R. W.) 1845.

STEPNEY.

Stepney, (Dilapidated.)
St. Mary's Tyaskin, (Doane) 1839.

ALL HALLOW'S, WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallow's, Snow Hill.
St. John's, Traptown, (W. R. W.) 1845.
Holy Cross, Sandy Hill, (W. R. W.) 1851.

WORCESTER.

St. Paul's, Berlin, (Kemp) 1827.
St. Martin's, (W. R. W.) 1845.

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
OF THE
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS.

Rt. Rev. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D.,
President.

The Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D.,
President, *pro tempore*.

The Rev. JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary, Centreville, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, Esq.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Esq.,
Treasurer of the Convention.
Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Mission Fund,
Easton, Md.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE, The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md. Registrar of the Diocese, Cambridge, Md.

HON. JAMES A. PEARCE,
Chancellor of the Diocese, Chestertown, Md.

Standing Committee:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (President,) the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, (Secretary,) the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., the Rev. Stephen C. Roberts.

Ecclesiastical Court, (Elected 1885.)

The Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. Albert R. Walker.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

The Bishop, *ex-officio*, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, George R. Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles Lowndes.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

The Bishop of the Diocese, (President,) the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., (Treasurer,) Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

The Board of Examiners in Theology:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund:

The Bishop, (President *ex-officio*,) the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese:

The Bishop, (Chairman *ex-officio*,) Thomas Hughlett, (Treasurer *ex-officio*,) the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., and Messrs. Wm. S. Walker, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Geo. R. Goldsborough and R. C. Mackall, M. D.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine Service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the Chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair shall then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair; one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the Admission of new Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made; unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the Chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.
10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted while he is speaking in order.
12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat, when called to order by the President or any other member.
13. No member shall speak to another so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.
14. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.
15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion, not privileged, shall be received.
16. Privileged motions, in the order of their precedence, shall be, to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute; the question on the first two to be taken without debate.
17. If a question contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.
18. All questions of order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.
19. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the Session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.
20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts or Canons, as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new boundaries which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon proposed Resolution, Act or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.
21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by orders shall have been required agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.
22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M., on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.
23. The foregoing rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions until altered or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, assembled in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, on Wednesday, the 3d day of June, A. D., 1855, at 11 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Bryan, Hilliard and Walke. The Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., said the Ante-Communion, and the sermon was preached by the Rev. Wm. R. Huntington, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, New York, from St. John 39, and Psalm cxix, 89.

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Stearns and the Rev. G. F. Beaven. At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., President of the Standing Committee, called the Convention to order, and the Secretary of the last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from a list furnished by the Bishop.

The following Clergymen answered to their names:

The Rev. F. B. Adkins.	The Rev. John R. Joyner.
" " Theo. P. Barber, D. D.	" " Enoch K. Miller.
" " Algernon Batte.	" " James A. Mitchell.
" " George F. Beaven.	" " Oliver H. Murphy.
" " W. Y. Beaven.	" " R. Heber Murphy.
" " James L. Bryan, M. D.	" " Stephen C. Roberts.
" " George W. Bowne.	" " William Schouler.
" " Charles E. Buck.	" " Edward J. Stearns, D. D.
" " John W. Chesley.	" " Philip D. Thompson.
" " E. F. Dashiell, D. D.	" " Charles H. Vandyne.
" " George S. Gassner.	" " Lewis Walke.
" " W. Wallace Greene.	" " Albert R. Walker.
" " Samuel D. Hall.	" " Albert Ware.
" " F. W. Hilliard.	" " Joseph N. Wattson.—28.

The Secretary of the last Convention then called the names of the Lay Delegates from the certificates furnished. The following Lay Delegates answered to their names, in the order of Parishes:

P. S. Reynolds, M. D.
Hy. S. Coudon.
D. P. Davis.
R. C. Mackall, M. D.
W. S. Craft.
Wm. S. Walker.
E. C. Legg.
W. H. Newnam.
John B. Brown.
Chas. H. Tilghman.
C. C. Lloyd.

A. K. Easter.
I. L. Adkins, M. D.
Paul Winchester.
Thos. R. Robson.
I. S. Adams.
A. L. Jones.
John W. Willing.
O. D. Collins.
T. A. J. Holloway, M. D.
James A. Pearce, Chancellor.—2

The Chair then announced a quorum of both orders present, and announced that in the absence of the Bishop, the first business in order was the election of a President. The Rev. Dr. Dashiell nominated the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D. On motion it was resolved that the Rev. Dr. Stearns cast the ballot for the Convention. The ballot was cast for the Rev. Dr. Barber, who thereupon assumed the Chair.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell was nominated for re-election as Secretary. On motion, the ballot being dispensed with, the Rev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committees:

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Walke, Batte and Hall.

On Elections.—Messrs. Hy. S. Coudon, Craft and Collins.

On Accounts.—Messrs. W. H. Newnam, Winchester and Oliver.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. W. Y. Beaven and Messrs. E. C. Legg, Brown, Reynolds and Jones.

On Admission of New Parishes.—Rev. Messrs. Miller and Bowne, and Mr. Willing.

On Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. A. R. Walker, and Messrs. Woolford and Lloyd.

In Canons.—The Rev. Drs. Dashiell and Stearns, and Mr. Jas. Pearce.

In the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Hilliard, Schouler Bowne, and Dr. Mackall and Mr. C. H. Tilghman.

In motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, all visiting gymen and Candidates for Orders, the Officers of the Diocese, and the try of St. Paul's Parish, be and are hereby invited to seats, as honorary bers of this Convention.

he Rev. I. Pleasonton Du Hamel, D. D., was present from this ese, but not entitled to a seat. The Rev. Wm. R. Hunting- D. D., was present from the Diocese of New York, the Rev. [Chesley from the Diocese of Maryland, and Messrs. George Lay and Lewis T. Wattson, candidates for Holy Orders from Diocese.

In motion of the Rev. A. R. Walker it was

Resolved, That a Committee of three Clergymen and three Laymen be ap- ted by the Chair to convey to our sick and absent Bishop the greetings sympathy of the Convention.

his resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

he President appointed as the Committee: The Rev. A. R. lker, Rev. Dr. Dashiell, Rev. Dr. Stearns, Messrs. R. C. Mack- H. S. Coudon and J. B. Brown.

In motion it was

Resolved, That when the Convention adjourns, it shall adjourn to meet at 7.30 .., and on Thursday at 9 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.

In motion the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

7.30 P. M.—The Convention met at 7.30 P. M. Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Schouler and W. W. Greene.

After Service the President called the Convention to order, and the Secretary read the minutes of the morning session.

The Rev. Mr. Walke, from the Committee on the Rights of Clergy to Seats, reported the following as entitled to seats:

The Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D. LL. D.

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

" " Erastus F. Dashiell, D. D.

" " Geo. F. Beaven.

" " Jas. L. Bryan, M. D.

" " Jos. N. Wattson.

" " John O. Barton, D. D.

" " Jas. A. Mitchell.

" " John Martin.

" " E. J. Stearns, D. D.,

" " Stephen C. Roberts.

" " Lewis Walke.

" " Enoch K. Miller.

" " Philip D. Thompson.

" " W. Y. Beaven.

" " W. Wallace Green.

" " Francis W. Hillard.

The Rev. Albert R. Walker.

" " William Schouler.

" " Albert Ware.

" " Samuel D. Hall.

" " Algernon Batte.

" " Franklin B. Adkins.

" " Henry Wall, D. D.

" " R. Heber Murphy.

" " Oliver H. Murphy.

" " George S. Gassner.

" " George W. Bowne.

" " John R. Joyner.

" " Charles H. Vandyne.

" " Charles E. Buck.

" " John W. Chesley.

LEWIS R. WALKE,
ALGERNON BATTE,
S. D. HALL,

Committee.

Mr. H. S. Coudon, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following Lay Delegates entitled to seats:

The Committee on Elections begs leave to report the names of the following Lay Delegates who are entitled to seats in this Convention:

<i>Parish.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Trinity Cathedral.....	P. F. Thomas.....	Thos. K. Robson.
	Paul Winchester.....	H. E. Bateman.
St. John's.....	P. S. Reynolds.....	J. A. Morgan.
North Sassafras.....	David P. Davis.	
Worcester.....	T. A. J. Holloway	
Christ Church.....	Edward C. Legg.....	W. P. Thompson.
Salisbury.....	Isaac S. Adams.....	Geo. Waller.
Spring Hill.....	A. L. Jones.....	Wm. Howard.
Vienna.....	W. S. Craft.....	Jas. A. Higgins.
All Saints'.....	Geo. R. Goldsborough..	Dr. C. H. Rose.
Stepney.....	Geo. D. Waller.....	John W. Willing.
Wicomico.....	Dan'l W. Jones.	
Dorchester.....	J. M. Willis.	
All Hallows'.....	Oliver D. Collins.....	Edward P. Davis.
Somerset.....	Col. Levin Woolford....	Omar A. Jones.
Whitemarsh.....	Joseph B. Seth.....	Dr. E. M. Hardcastle.
St. Paul's, Kent County.....	Stevenson Constable....	Geo. Beck.
Chester.....	W. S. Walker.....	S. H. Blackiston.
E. New Market.....	E. S. Johnson.....	Jas. B. Bradley.
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	J. A. Fields.	
St. Peter's.....	I. L. Adkins.....	Samuel Hambleton.
Pocomoke.....	C. C. Lloyd.....	Edgar McMaster.
Miles River.....	David C. Trimble.....	Thos. H. Oliver.
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	John B. Brown.....	Richard T. Earle.
North Kent.....		L. M. Bean.
Trinity.....	Dr. R. C. Mackall.....	John S. Wirt.
St. James' Church, Port Deposit.	W. W. Hopkins.....	W. H. Noble.
St. Luke's.....	W. H. Newnam.....	R. J. Catlin.
St. Michael's.....	Arthur K. Easter.	
Wye.....	Charles H. Tilghman.	
St. Mary Anne's or North Elk..	Henry S. Coudon.	
	HENRY S. COUDON,	
	W. S. CRAFT,	
	OLIVER D. COLLINS,	
	<i>Committee.</i>	

The Rev. Mr. Walker, from the Committee appointed to communicate with the Bishop, read the following report of the Committee, the Convention rising and remaining standing while it was read :

TO THE CONVENTION :

We, the undersigned, a joint Committee of the Clergy and Laity, appointed by a rising vote of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton now in session at

Centreville, Maryland, to convey by suitable address or resolution to the sick and absent Bishop of this Diocese the greetings and sympathies of the Convention, report to the Convention the following address telegraphed to our Beloved Bishop in pursuance of our appointment :

To the RIGHT REV. HENRY C. LAY, D. D., LL. D.

Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

This Convention, by its Committee hereby conveys to our Beloved Bishop, not in mere words of compliment, but in reverence and affection, our sorrow at missing him from his accustomed place in this Convention, and extends to him our tenderest sympathies in his affliction, with earnest prayers that God will be with him and comfort and sustain him in all his sickness, and if it be his will, speedily restore him to his Diocese in health and strength, so that we, and all his flock may be soon cheered again by his active and genial presence in our midst.

Committee. Clergy, ALBERT R. WALKER,
E. F. DASHIELL,
E. J. STEARNS,

Laity, R. C. MACKALL,
JOHN B. BROWN,
HENRY S. COUDON.

The Secretary read the following communication from the Secretary of the Diocese of Delaware :

SMYRNA, DEL., June 3rd, 1885.

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton :

The Convention of the Diocese of Delaware in session in St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, sends greeting in the Lord to the Convention of Easton.

S. M. CURTIS, *Secretary.*
ALFRED LEE, *President.*

The Rev. R. Heber Murphy offered the following resolution in reply, which on his motion was adopted, and the Secretary was directed to send it by telegraph :

Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, reciprocate the kindly wishes of the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, and sends greeting in return.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Secretary.*

Dr. I. L. Adkins read the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which was on motion referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund. (See Appendix.)

Dr. Adkins read the report of the Treasurer of the Convention, and also the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, which were on motion referred to the Committee on Accounts. (See Appendix.)

The Secretary then read the Bishop's Address :

ADDRESS.

BRETHREN BELOVED IN THE LORD :

It is again my duty to lay before you the summary of a year's Episcopal acts, and of the changes which have occurred in the Diocese.

My visitations, made chiefly in October and November, extended to some twenty churches. In few instances were the Clergy ready to present candidates for Confirmation. As in times past, it seemed that all of them desired Episcopal offices during the months just preceding the meeting of the Convention. To this general desire I endeavored to conform my plans.

I copy from my journal a few items :

Oct. 6.—I attended a meeting of the Church Congress in Detroit, and read a paper on "Authority and Conscience."

Oct. 23.—This being the twenty-fifth anniversary of my Consecration, some of the Clergy and of the Laity united with me in a Eucharistic Service in Trinity Chapel, at which I delivered an address.

Nov. 6.—At the request of the Standing Committee of Maryland, in Grace Church, Baltimore, I admitted James Asbury Register to the Diaconate, and the Rev. Edward Turner Lawrence to the Priesthood. I also confirmed a sick member of St. James' African Church.

Jan. 8.—In the Church of the Epiphany, Washington. I assisted in the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Paret.

It will be remembered that special prayers were offered by us all in our congregations for God's blessing upon our sister-diocese in the choice of a Bishop. I had opportunity to confer with many of the Maryland Clergy, and was much impressed with the confidence given in advance to him whom they have chosen for this responsible office.

CLERGY LIST.

The changes among the Clergy have been as follows :

The Rev. Charles E. Buck has been received from Maryland and become Rector of St. Peter's Parish.

The Rev. John W. Chesley has been received from Maryland and become Rector of Miles River Parish.

The Rev. I. Pleasanton Du Hamel, D. D., has been received from Pennsylvania and is Rector of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's.

The following Clergy have removed to other Dioceses :

The Rev. Robert Wilson, D. D., to South Carolina.

The Rev. F. B. Crozier to Central Pennsylvania.

The Rev. J. W. Larmour to Maryland.

The Rev. J. S. Ellis to Massachusetts.

DEPOSITION.

The Rev. Edward G. Perryman, having signified to me his renunciation of the ministry, was duly deposed therefrom by a sentence pronounced on the fifth of December last in Christ Church, Easton, and in the presence of the Rev. Messrs. Buck and Gassner.

ORDINATIONS.

On the 16th of July last, in St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne, I ordained to the Priesthood the Rev. George Sears Gassner, now Assistant-Minister of Trinity Cathedral, and the Rev. Oliver Hugh Murphy, now Rector of Coventry Parish, in which he has been ministering during his Diaconate.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDERS.

Of the candidates for Holy Orders, George W. Lay and Lewis T. Wattson are now ready to be ordained to the Diaconate.

There remains upon the list, William G. Woolford, who has just completed his first year at the General Theological Seminary.

CHURCHES AND RECTORIES.

On the 29th of October last I consecrated St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount. This is not a new church, having been removed from Dividing Creek during the Rectorship of Dr. Crosdale.

A neat chapel has been erected at Cordova, in All Saints' Parish, by a very few contributors. It has a meritorious claim upon

the help of Churchmen in order that it may be made ready for consecration.

I note with much satisfaction the building of a modest Rectory in the feeble parish of St. Mary's, Whitechapel.

We will unite to congratulate the Rector and Vestry of St. Paul's, Queen Anne's, whose hospitalities you are now enjoying, upon the elegant and commodious Rectory which replaces the house heretofore in occupancy.

CONFIRMATIONS.

I have confirmed on a few occasions forty-four persons.

EPISCOPAL CONSECRATIONS.

My official consent has been given to the consecration of the following Bishops, viz.:

Rt. Rev. William J. Boone, D. D., Miss. Bishop to Shanghai;
Rt. Rev. Wilson S. Rulison, D. D., Asst. Bishop of Central Pennsylvania; Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson, Miss. Bishop-elect of Africa;
Rt. Rev. William Paret, D. D., Bishop of Maryland, and Rt. Rev. George Worthington, D. D., Bishop of Nebraska.

NOMINATIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS.

I hereby confirm the nominations of Deans made in the several Convocations.

I nominate to the Convention the following persons as Trustees of Trinity Cathedral:

H. E. Bateman,	J. F. Bateman,
Thomas K. Robson,	Paul Winchester,
Charles Seymour,	P. F. Thomas.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

I trust that the Missions of the Diocese will not fail to receive at your hands the most needful consideration. Without this agency we have no means of increasing the area of our usefulness.

I am the more concerned at the deficiency reported by the Treasurer, because it is partly due to the failure of my usual visitations, and the loss of the offerings made at such times.

We need two thousand dollars next year. The only difficulty in securing this sum is in the lack of interest on the part of a few. In a Diocese so small and so weak as ours, it needs indifference or negligence on the part of a small minority to defeat the best devised plans for the common welfare.

During the winter and early spring I was busily occupied in the preparation of Lectures to be delivered on the Bishop Paddock foundation.

A retired merchant, George A. Jarvis, now residing in Brooklyn, has placed in the hands of Trustees a sum of money for the purpose of sustaining a yearly Lectureship in defense and illustration of the Church's doctrines and order. These lectures are delivered before the General Theological Seminary, and are published in a volume.

I may not here detail the reasons which seemed to require me to accept a task, easy perchance for others, but involving for me much thought and labor.

I endeavored to present the Church in the Nation as entitled to our loving and loyal allegiance, and to remonstrate against the tendency to take our holy religion out of the region of fact and history and to treat it as matter of private speculation.

While in New York, engaged in the delivery of these Lectures, I was smitten on the 22d of March with an attack of *Angina Pectoris*, from which I have not rallied. I have thus, to my great sorrow, disappointed nearly all the Parishes of the opportunity for Confirmation and of the customary Spring Visitation. It is my duty to suggest several matters for your consideration.

By a strange oversight no regulations have ever been made prescribing the manner of electing the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and the scope of their duties. The Chancellor of the Diocese has at my request prepared a draught of a canon for your consideration.

I have requested him, also, to prepare a draught of a canon for the Trial of Clergymen.

I have been called upon twice during the last year to execute Deeds of Release in behalf of the Convention. Although there was no contest in the premises, I declined on technical grounds.

I have requested the Chancellor to explain these matters and to ask that the Convention will provide for all such cases in the future.

I lay before you a communication from the Secretaries of our General Missions, touching a deficiency in their income.

I further lay before you the official notification of changes in the Prayer Book proposed by the General Convention of 1883.

A little more than two months have passed since my severe illness came upon me. What its permanent consequences will be, it would perhaps be premature just now to say.

During this time of inaction I seem to have found out anew how absolutely my being has been bound up in my work, and how deeply the name of this Diocese is graven on my heart. That no serious harm may come to it from my incompetence is my chief desire and prayer.

Let me assure you that no pains will be spared on my part to secure such Episcopal offices as may be needed during the next year, however I may not be able to render them in person.

Much else I have it in my heart to say, but it may not now be spoken.

I would conclude this address by devoutly acknowledging the goodness and mercy which have followed me all my days and which now, as in former years, lay upon me no burden too great to bear.

The Creed of the Ages becomes dearer to us as the day of utmost revelation seems near at hand. In the many expressions of Christian sympathy and in the offices of Christian kindness the sick and the weary learn anew what means the Communion of the Saints. As heart and flesh do fail, we rejoice to believe that in the mercy of God there remains, after our human lives so full of infirmity and failure, a worthier consummation. Thus may we all and always look for the Resurrection of the Dead and the Life of the World to come !

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the Episcopal Fund, the Authentication of Deeds, and to the trial of Clergymen, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. F. W. Hilliard it was

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to proposed changes in the Prayer Book be referred to the Committee on the Enrichment of the Prayer Book appointed at the last Convention.

On motion the Trustees of Trinity Cathedral, named in the Bishop's Address, were confirmed by the Convention. Trustees of Trinity Cathedral:

Henry E. Bateman,
Thomas K. Robson,
Charles Seymour,

J. F. Bateman,
Paul Winchester,
P. F. Thomas.

The Rev. F. W. Hilliard, from the Committee on the Enrichment of the Prayer Book appointed by the last Convention, read the following report of the Committee:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROPOSED ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS IN THE
BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER.

Your Committee, to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's address to the last Convention, relating to the enrichment of the Prayer Book, and to whom has been referred so much of the Bishop's address to this Convention, as to the same subject, beg leave respectfully to report.

The first question to be considered is the function of the next General Convention and of each Diocesan Convention, with reference to the proposed alterations in the Prayer Book.

Two things are, in the judgment of your Committee, very clear. First, that the whole intent of the provision of the Constitution, with regard to the action of two successive General Conventions would be nullified, if the next Convention could make any alteration whatever in the changes recommended by that of 1883; and secondly, that the embarrassment which may be supposed to arise from the restrictions thus placed upon the Convention of 1886, is almost entirely removed by the careful method adopted by the last General Convention in inserting the word *severally* in all the resolutions, adopting various distinct recommendations.

The resolutions are designated in the Journal and in the notification sent to the different Dioceses by Roman numerals, while the parts of these resolutions *severally* sent down are marked by small letters *a, b, c, &c.* It appears then that each one of the divisions last mentioned will come before the General Convention of 1886, precisely as it stands, for ratification or rejection, and that, nevertheless, because of the general minuteness of the sub-division great liberty of action is reserved for the next Convention. Whether it will be wise to use this liberty to the full extent is another question, but it is important to know that it exists, even under the strictest interpretation of Constitutional provisions.

As to the Diocesan Convention, it is plain, that no action of theirs is necessary to enable the General Convention to complete its work. They are simply to be informed of what is proposed. Yet the whole matter is virtually in their hands through the election, and if they please, the instruction of their deputies. They should therefore have clear and well grounded convictions concerning each of the alterations recommended. With the Book Annexed, as modified by the last General Convention easily accessible to all, there is abundant opportunity for becoming familiar with its contents, and forming a judgment upon them. Your Committee can only hope to direct attention to some of the salient points in those proposals, whose detail can only be learned by a careful perusal of the book itself.

They have divided the work entrusted to them in such a manner, that the rubrical changes suggested have been separately treated, as likewise has the new matter introduced, while a lay member of the Committee has looked at the new order of Morning and Evening Prayer from the stand-point of order, not in Holy Orders.

The Rubrical changes shall first engage our attention.

It will be convenient to group them under these three heads. (1.) Provisions in the way of *omission*. (2.) Provisions in the way of *additional use*. (3.) Provisions relating to the *due order* to be observed in the performance of the services.

(1.) Under the first head of permitted or prescribed omissions, we would note the following: In the Order for Morning Prayer, the liberty is granted of omitting, on *any week-day*, the exhortation, and on any week day, except if it be one of the days of *fasting* and abstinence, the General Confession and Declaration of Absolution. The permission is *extended* to the great Festivals Christmas Day, Easter Day, and Whitsunday. Since the Church provides the form of Confession and Absolution in her Communion Office, it seems reasonable to omit, on these occasions of high rejoicing, the penitential forms ordinarily used at the opening of Morning Prayer. In the Evening Prayer, permission is given for the omission of the General Confession and Absolution on any day other than a Lord's day, while the permission is not so extended to the three great Festivals already noted. The *Venite* is to be omitted on Ash-Wednesday, and on the six days next before Easter. Many will consider it a gain, that on occasions of deep solemnity like the foregoing the worship

pers need not be called upon to "come and sing unto the Lord," and heartily rejoice with thanksgiving. On the other hand, permission is given to dispense not only with the Confession and Absolution, as already mentioned, but with *Litany* also, on Christmas Day, Easter Day, Whitsunday.

In the Order for the *Holy Communion*, the omission of the *Decalogue* is permitted at the *earlier* celebration, where there is more than one on the same day; also of the longer Exhortation, beginning "Dearly beloved in the Lord," provided it had been already said on the Lord's Day in the month. The use of a hymn, after the prayer of Consecration is made optional, instead of obligatory, as at present. In the Order for the Celebration of the Holy Communion with the *sick*, a shortened form is allowed, in case of contagious disease, or when extreme weakness renders it expedient.

In connection with the Confirmation Office, a rubric is provided, which permits the use of the office by itself. It will be felt as a great relief not to be obliged to add Confirmation to a service which already comprises the full Morning Prayer, with *Litany* and the Holy Communion. The reading of the Preface in this office is made optional.

(2.) Under the head of provisions for *additional use*, we note the welcome liberty granted, as regards the *Litany* that it may be said in connection with the *Evening* as well as the *Morning* Prayer, being introduced at the same point in the Service as in the Morning, also on *any day* during Lent, and, most appropriately, on the three *Rogation Days* in each year. Among the *Occasional Prayers*, that which has reference to the meetings of *Convention* is allowed to be used *before* as well as during the sessions of Convention. Greater liberty is granted in the matter of the administration of the Communion to the sick, *one* communicant only being required to receive with the sick person, instead of two, as is the case at present. The office is allowed to be used "with aged and bed-ridden persons, or such as are not able to attend the public ministration in the Church," substituting the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for the Day for that specially appointed.

(8.) It remains, that brief reference be had, to rubrical changes relating to the matter of *Liturgical order*. As in the English Prayer Book, the *Litany* is appointed to be said, not after a single intercessory prayer, for civil rulers, but after the collects preceding this prayer, an arrangement far more harmonious; while a suffrage is provided, in the *Litany*, for the President of the United States. The provision for the introduction of occasional *prayers before*, and of special *thanksgivings after* the General Thanksgiving will bring about a uniformity of practice, where diversity now prevails. In the Ter-sanctus or Trisagion, the part to be taken by the Priest alone, and that to be said by the Priest and people jointly are clearly indicated.

We turn now to the new matter of the Book Annexed.

In the Offices for Morning and Evening Prayer, separate sentences from Holy Scripture are provided for Advent, Christmas Day, Epiphany, Good Friday, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Whitsunday, and Trinity Sunday. This is a real enrichment, in bringing out the special feature of the day at the very

beginning of the service. A new alternate Absolution takes the place of the present one, which is to be used as it ought only in the Holy Communion. This form of Absolution taken with slight changes, from the old Sarum Compline Office is good and short, but like all alternates it is in danger of being little used. The printing of the Venite in full is a decided gain. The new Canticle *Benedictus es Domine*, from the song of the three children, used to be sung in the Old Sarum Missal, as a hymn in the Divine Liturgy for Saturday in the Advent Ember-Week. It is so like the Benedicite, that it is a very great gain, and, if it should displace the latter as an alternate for the Te Deum would result in injury rather than benefit. Still its comparative brevity may sometimes be an advantage. We are glad to have the Benedicite in full, and the use of the De Profundis on penitential occasions would have a peculiar fitness, though, at other times, it could hardly be properly used in the place of the Jubilate. In the Apostles' Creed, "Rose again" takes the place of "rose," and thus the Creed is made to conform to the Nicene or Constantinopolitan symbol, and to its own ancient form. In the prayer for all conditions of Men, and the General Thanksgiving, provision is made, after the example of the English Book, for the mention of those who desire to be prayed for, to offer thanks, an improvement in the way of flexibility of use. In the Evening Prayer, an addition in the way of differentiation is found, in the permission to use for the Exhortation, which many find tedious, when very often repeated, of the words, "Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God." The second form of confession in the evening Service is taken from the Office for Family Evening Prayer. In itself it is very appropriate, but some may regret to see it diverted from its use in the home circle. To place the Gloria in Excelsis in the Evening Prayer or anywhere else except in the Communion Office is in the judgment of your Committee a decided mistake, and contrary to Catholic usage. The restoration of the Magnificat and the Nunc Dimittis a legitimate cause for rejoicing. The additional Versicles, mainly from the English Book, are a valuable enrichment. The Collect "Lighten our darkness," &c., originally from the Old Sarum Compline will probably be generally regarded, though not by all, as a gain over that, whose place it takes. The new prayer for the President seems better suited for a republic than the old one. The final prayer, one of those now at the close of the Communion Office is admirably fitted for its new position.

The Devotion following Evening Prayer, and to be used with it or alone, consists chiefly of the Beatitudes of the Sermon on the Mount, from which it takes its name, with suitable responses, and is very beautiful and well-fitted for use with music. A similar service is said by the Bishop of Haiti to have been in use among the Orthodox Christians of the East more than a thousand years ago. The suffrage in the Litany for deliverance from fire and flood, and the prayer for more laborers for the Gospel harvest are manifestly needed, while the removal of the prayer for the President from its old place before the Litany call for the suffrage on behalf of the Chief Magistrate. Many additional prayers are found among the occasional prayers. Of these those which bear the favor

of antiquity will be preferred. The gift to compose a prayer that will awake a real devotional instinct is unique, and is not common in our day.

The new penitential office for Ash Wednesday is a great gain, and that for Thanksgiving, or Harvest Home, has many points of superiority over the present one, chiefly in bringing all the parts of the service together in one distinct and compact office. The new short office for sundry occasions is not unlike that often made up by the Clergy from the Prayer Book.

The Great Festivals—Christmas Day, Easter Day and Whitsunday—are provided with a second Collect, Epistle and Gospel, thus allowing a second celebration. This is a great improvement, and one that will be highly valued. St. Stephen's, St. John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents are placed next to Christmas Day, where they belong. These two last changes are a restoration. For the most part the same provisions are found in the first Prayer Book of Edward VI. A separate Collect is provided for each of the days in Holy Week; for Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week, and for Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun-Week, a very important enrichment. An entire new Feast of our Lord—the Transfiguration—has been added, with a special Collect, Epistle and Gospel. The Doxology is omitted from the Lord's Prayer, at the beginning of the Communion office. If it were omitted wherever the Prayer occurs, there would be more uniformity in saying the Prayer, though there are reasons why it should be omitted in some places and retained in others. A response, "Thanks be to Thee, O Lord," is given after the Gospel. Why the old Latin, or, "*Laus tibi Christi*" was not translated literally is not known to your Committee. The printing of the Nicene Creed in the Communion Service has been long desired, and was necessary to give completeness to the office. A new Offertory Sentence has been added, which will serve admirably as an anthem.

There are proper Psalms for sixteen occasions, instead of six, as now, and twenty selections of Psalms, instead of ten; also special Canticles for five of the great festivals to be used instead of the Venite.

The office for Confirmation is largely enriched and beautified. The only doubt is whether in the insertion of the Baptismal questions and their answers, without any great addition to that part of the office which sets forth the gift of the spirit, the sense that one is confirming one's promises in public, may not tend to exclude the sense that one is being confirmed by the Holy Ghost.

A very beautiful and touching burial office for Infants may well serve as the last indication to be mentioned in the new matter of the wisdom and spiritual insight by which the proposed changes, with but few exceptions, are marked, and which are likewise indicated in the various verbal alterations suggested. A noticeable instance of the latter is seen in the change of "religious performance" to "solemnities," in the office for Consecration of Churches.

On the whole, if your Committee could have the *Gloria in Excelsis* taken from the place given it in Evening Prayer, they would be glad to see most of the proposed changes in the Prayer Book adopted. The clerical members of the Committee find the Lay view very similar to their own. Of course the summary of the contents of the Book Annexed from one hand is very much the same as that from another. The Lay comments for the most part tend in the

direction of a kind of dread, mixed with confidence, in view of the fact that so many bars have been let down, and so much trust reposed in the loyalty and discretion of the Clergy. God grant that they may feel their responsibility! The use of the new Prayer Book, when it begins, will mark a new era in the Church. Should we desire to delay this era, which is sure to be one of new growth and progress?

Your Committee propose the following resolution, and move its reference, after such discussion as may be desired, to the next Convention.

Resolved. That this Convention desires the ratification as a whole of the changes in the Prayer Book, proposed by the last General Convention.

F. W. HILLIARD,
WM. SCHOUER,
GEO. W. BOWNE,
R. C. MACKALL,
Committee.

The resolution was, on the motion of Rev. Mr. Hilliard, adopted, and the report referred to the next Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Bryan read the report of the Registrar of the Diocese, and on motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the amount asked for in the report.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE.

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports:

That the amount appropriated at the last Convention has been employed for the purpose designated.

The safety and proper care of the valuable Records in the custody of the Registrar demand clearly that a fire-proof building should be used for the Depository. It is suggested that, until the Episcopal Residence and Library Committee have secured the needed amount, a *temporary* arrangement might be made for depositing these Archives in some fire-proof building in Easton, where the Bishop resides.

The undersigned would cheerfully to this end transfer the charge to some one of the Brethren residing in or near the See Town.

It is desirable that a further appropriation of ten dollars should be made at this session.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
Registrar of the Diocese.

The Secretary read the Fifteenth Annual Report of the Home for Friendless Children of the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and also the Report of the Treasurer of the same. (See Appendix.)

The accompanying preamble and resolutions, read by the Secretary, were on motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion the report of the Board of Diocesan Missions was made the order of the day for Thursday at 10.30.

Col. Levin Woolford, delegate from Somerset Parish, at this session presented his certificate and took his seat in the Convention. On motion the Convention adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

The Convention met at 9 A. M. Morning Prayer was said by Rev. Messrs. Buck and J. N. Wattson.

After Divine Service the President called the Convention to order, and the Secretary, having called the roll of Clerical and Lay delegates, read the minutes of yesterday's evening session.

The Rev. Mr. Walker read the following telegram from the Bishop:

EASTON, MD.

A. R. Walker:
Please convey to the Convention my grateful acknowledgment of their affectionate message.

HENRY C. LAY.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard read the report of the Committee appointed at the last Convention to whom was referred the resolution on Christian Unity; and, on his motion, the report was referred to the next Convention.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESTORATION OF CHRISTIAN UNITY.

Our Committee, to whom was referred the following Preamble and Resolution:

WHEREAS, No Christian man can be satisfied in conscience without doing that in him lies, to remedy the great evil of a divided Christendom:

Resolved, That we cannot refrain from expressing an earnest desire that some effective enterprise may be set on foot for the purpose of establishing communi-

cation between ourselves and other leading religious bodies of this country, which shall tend to the formation of an American Church, including within its fold all people in our land, who hold the primitive and Catholic Faith,"

Beg leave respectfully to report—

The Resolution referred to your Committee may seem to suggest an impracticable object, but it is, without question, one for which we all deem it right to long and to pray. Now there is an apparent insincerity and unreality in praying for that, for which we make no earnest effort, unless, indeed, the object is one, for which it is impossible, that we should do anything.

Nor is it right to conclude hastily, that this impossibility exists. Though Divine aid will of course be necessary to bring about a complete reunion of Christians in this or any other country, still the Spirit of God will work through human agents, and, while the first effect to be produced by the Holy Ghost in this direction is the desire for this reunion, just as soon as this desire is widely felt, the time has come for a second manifestation on the part of men, that they are by the Spirit of God, moved towards this end. This second manifestation will be found to consist in efforts to devise some working plan by which such corporate reunion may be secured.

It seemed for a long time, that the desire would never be felt by the Christian people of the land. Occasional united action of separate religious bodies with a profession of unity of spirit constantly belied in action, was regarded as all that could properly be wished for. The division of Christian people into distinct bodies, each with its own independent organization, was considered as a result of freedom of conscience, and a help to its further development.

But all this is changed. The power of sin and belief is so great that the need has come to be felt of the greatest possible available force, on the part of those who would maintain their ground against it. And the self-evident truth, which this Church has all along been insisting upon, has at last been stripped of all disguises, and the leaders of Christian thought have come to see that the maxim "In union is strength," is as true in religion as in anything else, and, that a common purpose, with various and conflicting plans, each striving to neutralize the other, or, at least, tending so to do, is not the union, in which the strength is found. The evidences of this change are manifold. It is necessary to mention but two of them, the publication in New York City of the newspaper known as the *Church Union*, one of whose avowed objects is the maintenance of the thesis, that the present condition of Christian people, in our country, as separated into different bodies, without any unity of organization, is disastrous, if not fatal to the proper putting forth of Christian energy; and the meeting, during the last month, with the hearty co-operation of leaders among many religious bodies of the Congress of Churches at Hartford.

If the movement of the recent gathering, just mentioned, came in any manner from our own fold, then it is evident in this, as likewise in many other ways, that the time for some action on the part of this Church is believed to

have come. In the judgment of your Committee it has indeed come, and so surely come, that nothing short of some official action on the part of the whole Church can satisfy the exigencies of this time.

Platform addresses at voluntary meetings are all very well. They help to create and direct public opinion. But the Church cannot allow herself to be even in appearance committed by any such addresses. It is for her to say, in her corporate capacity, and in the most solemn manner, what she can contribute, and what she must be allowed to contribute, if she is to have a share in the formation of a comprehensive American Church.

In the judgment of your Committee, the first thing which she has to offer, and, practically, it is no unimportant thing, is the absolute surrender of her own present corporate name. She will ask no other religious body to become a part of the Protestant Episcopal Church. So far as title goes, the new organization shall be, with her free choice and consent, an entirely new American Church.

The next thing that she can give, not surrender, but contribute, or assist in preserving, is to consist of the Ancient Apostles' and Nicene or Constantinopolitan Creed. The American Church must have a Creed; all earnest Christian men know this, and are feeling its truth very keenly, in the dismay which is caused by past and present experience of the effect of striving to formulate a creedless Christianity. Reasonable men must admit, that what were essential articles in the Christian Faith, when it was first delivered, are essential articles now. They must be glad therefore to take these creeds and nothing more, as the Confession of Faith of the one American Church.

The next thing which this Church has to offer, "is an Apostolic Ministry," that is, a ministry which having as a fact, that few, if any deny, come down from the time of the Apostles, connects the organization which adopts it, whether as to authority or continuity, more surely and visibly with the Church of all ages, than it can otherwise be connected. She must insist upon the acceptance of this offer, for she cannot, to unite with the Christians of to-day, cut the link, or tear asunder the net work which to her is that which connects her with the past. And why should she feel that this offer is sure to be rejected. The very need which it is proposed to supply is that of organic and visible unity, among Christians. The only question now is, what organization? May it not reasonably be hoped that the conscientious principles of those, who have so much to give, in the way of surrender and of contribution, will be respected by those who profess to have no conscientious principles on the subject, and the reality and value of palpable historical authority and continuity be fully recognized.

The acceptance of the above three offers being insisted upon as the "*sine qua non*" for our final co-operation in a work of reunion for which the first should help to pave the way, the Prayer Book, brought to such perfection, and such adaptation to the needs of the American people as we can devise and accomplish may then be thrown in as a free gift towards the growth and beauty of the new American Church, which will be also the old Church of Apostles and Martyrs.

Your Committee report back the Resolution referred to them, and offer the following :

Resolved, That the Resolution with regard to the restoration of Christian Unity referred at the last Convention to a Committee, which has reported to this Convention, be referred, together with the report of said Committee, to the Convention of 1886, with the expectation, that, if it be then adopted, it will be presented to the next General Convention, in such shape as may be necessary to secure its reference to some Committee of that body.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD,
JOHN O. BARTON,
A. BATTE,

Committee.

The resolution on page 5 of Journal of 1884 was taken up for final action.

“Resolved, That Article XII of the Constitution be amended by adding after the word ‘seat’ the words, ‘and vote.’”

The Secretary called the roll of Clerical and Lay Delegates. The following Clergymen voted *aye*: The Rev. Messrs. Barber, Dashiell, G. F. Beaven, Bryan, Wattson, Mitchell, Roberts, Walke, Miller, Greene, Hilliard, Walker, Schouler, Ware, Hall, Batte, Adkins, R. H. Murphy, O. H. Murphy, Gassner, Bowne, Joyner, Vandyne, Buck and Chesley.

The following Laymen voted *aye*: Messrs. Coudon, Mackall, Davis, Walker, Tilghman, Newnam, Winchester, Robson, Holloway, Craft, Rose, Willing, Collins, Woolford, Adkins, Lloyd, Oliver and Easter.

There was no vote in the negative by either order, all present assenting.

The resolution on page 41 of Journal of the year 1884 was then taken up for final action.

“Resolved, That Article XI of the Constitution be amended by adding at the end of it the following paragraph: In case of a vacancy in the Episcopal Office the power of the Bishop to call special conventions shall devolve on the Standing Committee.”

The Secretary called the roll of Clerical and Lay Delegates, and the following Clergymen answered *aye*: Rev. Messrs. Barber,

Dashiell, G. F. Beaven, Bryan, Wattson, Mitchell, Roberts, Walke, Miller, Greene, Hilliard, Walker, Schouler, Ware, Hall, Batte, Adkins, R. H. Murphy, O. H. Murphy, Gassner, Bowne, Joyner, Vandyne, Buck and Chesley.

The Laymen voting *aye* were as follows: Coudon, Mackall, Davis, Walker, Tilghman, Newnam, Winchester, Robson, Holloway, Craft, Rose, Willing, Collins, Woolford, Adkins, Lloyd, Oliver, Easter and Pearce.

There was again no vote in the negative, all who were present voting in the affirmative.

The Secretary read the report of the Standing Committee :

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton beg leave to report :

That since the meeting of last Convention in June, 1884, they have met five times: June 5, immediately after adjournment of the Convention, for organization; July 10, the Rev. Oliver Hugh Murphy was recommended to the Bishop for Priest's Orders; August 4, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D. D., Assistant-Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania; December 11, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. Wm. Paret, D. D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Maryland, and also to the consecration of the Rev. George Worthington, S. T. D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Nebraska; June 2, 1885, Lewis T. Wattson and George W. Lay were recommended to the Bishop for Deacon's Orders. Respectfully,

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Secretary.*

The hour of 10.30 having arrived the Convention proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day. The Rev. Mr. Hilliard read the report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

The Board of Diocesan Missions beg leave respectfully to report:

That, by the statement of the Treasurer, which is appended herewith, it appears that the amount expended during the Convention year is.....\$1,609.50 and the receipts from the Parishes are.....1,523.67

There is thus a deficiency of\$85.83 for which immediate provision must be made.

Your Committee surely need not urge that prompt, deliberate attention on the part of this body is demanded. We even venture to ask that other business less urgent be suspended or set aside wholly, if need be, until decisive action upon this Report is reached.

THE BUSINESS of this Convention, before all else, is the proper consideration of the following questions:

1st.—Is the present plan of Mission Collections for the Diocese the *best plan* we can follow?

2d.—Are there any defects therein which, taught by experience, we can now remedy?

3d.—Can we so modify the plan in any way as to render it more effective?

It is the sincere conviction of your Board, again and again reiterated, that the fault does not lie in the *method*, so carefully prepared and deliberately adopted by the Convention. Rather, the real difficulty lies in the partial, half-hearted inadequate recognition of obligation incurred.

Your Board of Missions earnestly suggest that these mortifying and embarrassing occasions of deficiency would not occur if each Rector apprehended the urgent need of scrupulous adherence to the plan of Quarterly Collections through the envelopes. To no appeal do our faithful Lay members respond so cheerfully as to this. For the vital necessity of sustaining this department of Church work is apparent to all. Let each Rector, then, carefully arrange for the regular distribution of the envelopes, placing one at the appointed time in the hands of each Parishioner, zealously pressing the claim in private, familiar intercourse as well as in public exhortation; then quickened life, steady growth and expansion would speedily, under God's blessing, mark every department of our Diocesan work.

Your Committee, further, cannot withhold their conviction that it would be wise, having distributed among the several Parishes the amount needed for each year by means of voluntary pledges, to cause the amount to be printed on the outside page of the Journal with those assessments of the Episcopal and Convention Funds. Surely this collection is not less obligatory, not less requisite than the other two, which all concede to be indispensable! For let the Brethren reflect in how brief a period there would be no occasion for an Annual Convention to assemble, or for the ministrations of a Bishop, if *this* part of our work cease to interest us!

Your Committee respectfully submit the accompanying resolutions:

1st. *Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it is incumbent upon each Parish, according to its resources, to contribute, under the designated plan, for Diocesan Missions as scrupulously as for the support of the Episcopate, or for the expenses of Convention.

2d. *Resolved*, That this Convention do now proceed to secure for the use of the Board during the ensuing year the sum of \$1,800, the names of the Parishes being called over in open session, and their pledges stated on the page opposite the third page of the cover of the Journal.

THEO. P. BARBER,
LEWIS WALKE,
F. W. HILLIARD,
I. L. ADKINS,
J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

The first resolution, on motion, was adopted.

The second resolution being considered was, on motion, amended so as to read \$2000, instead of \$1800, and was then adopted, and the Secretary called the roll of Parishes, and pledges were made. (See Appendix.)

The hour having arrived, 12 M., for the order of the day, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee.

The President appointed as tellers for the clerical vote, Rev. Messrs. Schouler and Batte; and for the lay vote, Messrs. Woolford and Oliver.

The Rev. F. B. Adkins nominated the members of the last Standing Committee. Mr. Paul Winchester nominated the Rev. W. Y. Beaven.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clerical and Lay Delegates, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The Rev. O. H. Murphy offered the following resolution, which was on his motion adopted.

Resolved, That it is desirable that the Vestries should have the power to designate the Parish Church, subject to the approval of the Convention, where there shall be more than one Church in any Parish, and the Chancellor is directed to prepare an Act of Assembly conferring this power upon the Vestries in accordance with this resolution, and to place it in the hands of some suitable member of the next Legislature for presentation.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven from the Committee on Parochial Assessments, presented the following report; the resolutions appended, on motion, were adopted.

The Committee on Parochial Assessments beg leave to submit the following report of amounts received on account of Assessments for the year 1885 :

FOR THE CONVENTION FUND.

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$ 5 00	Vienna.....	\$ 5 00
St. Mary's, White Chapel.....	8 00	Chester.....	40 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00	North Kent.....	15 00
North Sassafra.....	50 00	St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00	Wye Parish.....	10 00
St. James'.....	12 50	Christ Church.....	15 00
Dorchester.....	8 00	St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	40 00

Coventry.....	\$10 00	Spring Hill.....	\$12 00
Somerset.....	40 00	Salisbury.....	30 00
St. Michael's.....	14 00	All Hallows'.....	18 00
Miles River.....	14 00	Worcester.....	15 00
All Saints'.....	14 00	St. Luke's, Q. A.....	10 00
St. Peter's.....	50 00	Stepney.....	5 00
Whitemarsh.....	25 00		
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00	Total.....	\$548 80
Pocomoke.....	18 00		

In order to meet the expenses for the year 1885 and 1886, we propose the following Assessments in the Resolution following:

Resolved, That the Convention Fund be assessed to the Parishes, as follows:

CONVENTION FUND 1886.

St. John's, Caroline.....	\$ 5 00	St. Paul's, Queen Anne's.....	\$40 00
St. Mary's, White Chapel.....	8 00	Coventry.....	10 00
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00	Somerset.....	40 00
North Sassafras.....	50 00	St. Michael's.....	14 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00	Miles River.....	14 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50	All Saint's.....	14 00
Dorchester.....	8 00	St. Peter's.....	50 00
East New Market.....	8 00	Whitemarsh.....	25 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00	Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
Vienna.....	5 00	Pocomoke.....	18 00
Chester.....	40 00	Spring Hill.....	12 00
I. U.	1 00	Salisbury.....	30 00
North Kent.....	20 00	All Hallows'.....	18 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00	Worcester.....	15 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00	Stepney.....	5 00
Wye.....	10 00	St. Paul's by the Sea.....	5 00
Christ Church, Kent Island....	15 00		
St. Luke's, Queen Anne's.....	10 00	Total.....	\$618 50

DELINQUENT PARISHES OF 1885.

North Kent.....	\$5 00
East New Market.....	8 00
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	5 00
Total.....	\$18 00

Resolved, That for reasons which commend themselves to the Committee, the unpaid assessments against I. U. and North Sassafras Parishes be remitted.

Signed,

W. Y. BEAVEN,
P. S. REYNOLDS,
JOHN B. BROWN,
EDWD. C. LEGG,
A. L. JONES,

Committee.

The tellers having returned to the Convention, reported the following persons elected as members of the Standing Committee for the ensuing year :

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

The Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D.

The Rev. John O. Barton, D. D.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell.

The Rev. Stephen C. Roberts.

On motion of the Rev. James L. Bryan, the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the following officers :

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex officio* ;
Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D. and J. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

Treasurer.—Mr. Thomas Hughlett.

Registrar.—Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the Secretary authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the Ecclesiastical Court.

The following members were re-elected, Rev. J. N. Wattson, Rev. George F. Beaven and Rev. Albert R. Walker.

The Rev. Dr. Dashiell from the Committee on Canons presented the following report, which was adopted :

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the resolution appended to the report of Managers to the Home for Friendless Children, have considered the same and report that it is inexpedient to take action thereon.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the Episcopal Fund, beg leave to report the following Canon.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the Authentication of Deeds, &c., beg leave in pursuance of a resolution passed at the last Convention, 1884, to offer the following power of attorney for adoption and execution by this Convention.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to an Ecclesiastical Court, beg leave to report, that a Canon on the subject has been prepared with all due care, but that the matter is of such grave importance that they would move that it be referred to the next Diocesan Convention, for consideration and action.

E. F. DASHIELL,
E. J. STEARNS,
JAMES W. PEARCE,

The Chancellor then read the following Canon on the Episcopal Fund :

CANON.

Of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

SEC. 1. For the purpose of administering the Episcopal Fund, a Board of Trustees, to consist of the Bishop for the time being, and six Lay members of the Church shall be appointed as herein-after provided.

SEC. 2. The Convention shall immediately after the adoption of this Canon, and at every succeeding Diocesan Convention, proceed to ballot for six Lay members of said Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and the persons having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

SEC. 3. The six Trustees to be elected as aforesaid shall, immediately after their election, be distributed by arrangement amongst themselves into two classes. The first class shall serve until the adjournment of the next annual meeting of this Convention. The second class shall serve until the adjournment of the second annual meeting of the Convention hereafter, and such classification shall, as soon as made, be reported by said Trustees to the Secretary of this Convention. For the continuance of this Board of Trustees the Convention, at its next and at each succeeding annual meeting, shall elect by ballot Trustees in the place of those whose terms shall have expired, and the Trustees so to

be elected shall serve until the adjournment of the second annual meeting of the Convention after their election.

SEC. 4. Any vacancy occurring in said Board of Trustees, by death, resignation, refusal to serve, removal out of the Diocese, or otherwise, may be filled by said Board, and the person so chosen shall serve until the adjournment of the next annual meeting of the Convention, which shall elect a person to serve during the residue of the term of the person in whose stead he shall be elected.

SEC. 5. The Bishop shall be *ex-officio* President of the said Board of Trustees; and the Board shall at its first meeting, and annually thereafter, appoint one of its own members to act as Treasurer, who shall continue in office until removed by the Board, or until the expiration of his term as Trustee.

The Treasurer shall have the custody of all moneys and securities belonging to the Episcopal Fund, subject to such order as the Board of Trustees may take from time to time in relation thereto; and he shall keep an accurate account of all his receipts and disbursements, and shall lay the same before the Convention at each annual meeting.

SEC. 6. The Board shall meet on some day during the month next preceding the annual meeting of the Convention, and at such other times and at such place as the Board shall direct; or upon the requisition of the Bishop or of any two Trustees, and a majority of the Board shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 7. The Treasurer, under the direction of the Board, shall pay to the Bishop out of the interest or income arising from said Episcopal Fund, if sufficient for the purpose, such annual salary and travelling expenses as the Bishop shall from time to time receive under the action of this Convention; and if the income should be more than sufficient for the payment of such salary and traveling expenses, such surplus revenue shall be invested in augmentation of the Episcopal Fund until the further order of the Convention.

SEC. 8. All investments shall be made in the name of the Treasurer for the time being of said Trustees, as Treasurer; but no such investment shall be transferred, assigned or released but by writing under seal of the Treasurer of said Trustees, at the time

of such transfer, assignment, or release; and of the Bishop of the Diocese; or in his absence, or in the event of a vacancy in the office of Bishop, of two other members of said Board of Trustees.

SEC. 9. The Board of Trustees shall appoint a Secretary, (who may also be the Treasurer) and shall keep a journal of its proceedings in which shall be entered the attendance of the members, and the acts and resolutions of the Board in regard to the administration of the fund, and on every question moved and decided the ayes and noes shall be entered if required by any member; and this Journal shall be produced to and laid before the Convention at any annual meeting if called for by any member of the Convention.

The Chancellor read the following Power of Attorney:

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that the "Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton," a body corporate, hath made, constituted and appointed, and doth hereby make, constitute and appoint Dr. Isaac L. Adkins, of Talbot County, in the State of Maryland, its true and lawful attorney in the name and on behalf of the said "Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton," to acknowledge all deeds executed by said Convention; to make the necessary affidavit to all mortgages made to said Convention, and to execute all releases of said mortgages except where provision shall be otherwise made in reference to such mortgages by the Canon of the Episcopal Fund.

In witness whereof, the said "Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton," at Centreville, Queen Anne's County, in the State of Maryland, assembled, have caused this instrument of writing to be signed by the Rev. Theodore P. Barber, President *pro tempore* of said Convention, and to be sealed with the corporate seal of this Convention, this fourth day of June, 1885.

THEO. P. BARBER,
Pres. pro tempore.

The Chancellor also presented the following Act of Release, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Stephen Tabor and wife, on the 18th day of October, 1880, conveyed to this Convention a lot of land at Ocean City, Md., upon condition that a Chapel should be erected thereon within two years thereafter; and, whereas, such Chapel has been erected upon another lot at Ocean City which was deemed more suitable, whereby the condition of said deed has been forfeited; therefore,

Resolved, That this Convention reconvey said lot to said Stephen Tabor, and that the Rev. Theodore P. Barber, President, *pro tem.* be, and he is hereby requested to execute such, and that Dr. I. L. Adkins, the attorney heretofore appointed for the purpose, be requested to acknowledge the same.

The Rev. Mr. Walker, from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, reported as follows, the resolutions appended being adopted :

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund beg leave to report, that they have considered the reports of the Treasurer and the Trustees of this Fund, and find the Fund in a healthy and satisfactory condition, a matter of peculiar gratification, when the general depression is kept in mind, and demonstrating the prudence and care taken by the officers in making investments of the Fund.

Your Committee take pleasure in reporting that the Parishes have paid the assessments for the present year, with the exception of four, some at least, of which, we feel confident, would have met their dues but for peculiar circumstances. The Treasurer reports that he received \$125, while \$304 have been paid to your Committee, making a total of \$429; unpaid \$72.

It will be remembered that the arrearages due at the last Convention were remitted. Your Committee, bearing this in mind and noting the more general payments this year, feel encouraged to hope that this generous action of your body has already borne fruit, and trust that the same will continue to show itself in the future. Your Committee respectfully offer the following resolution :

1. That the present assessments on the several Parishes, as published in the Journal of 1883, be continued for this year, any amount thereof not required for Bishop's Salary to be added to the principal of the Fund.

2. That the assessments and arrearages be published in the Journal.

ALBERT R. WALKER,
C. C. LLOYD,
LEVIN WOOLFORD.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bryan, the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

The following were elected :

I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Charles Lowndes.

On motion the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 7.30 P. M. Evening prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. R. Heber Murphy and J. R. Joyner.

The President called the Convention to order.

On motion of the Rev. Heber Murphy, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rev. Dr. Huntington for the able and interesting sermon delivered before this body at the opening of the Convention; and, that the Secretary be authorized to transmit the same to the Reverend Preacher.

The Rev. Dr. Dashiell presented the report of the Committee, continued by the last Convention, on the Episcopal Residence and Library Room. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Dashiell, the resolutions were adopted, and the Committee continued.

The Committee on the Episcopal Residence and Library Room for the Diocese of Easton, continued by the last Convention, beg leave to report that they have pursued their labors as opportunity offered, both in the way of obtaining subscriptions and distributing Mite Chests prepared for the purpose. They procured four thousand chests, and have distributed the same very generally to the Clergy of the various Parishes, to be put out among the people. The chests were to be returned on Whitsunday, and the amounts reported to the Chairman of the Committee. So I report the amounts of money thus far made to me.

From Spring Hill Parish, Wicomico.....	\$104 75
Stepney Parish.....	39 93
Wicomico Parish.....	32 79
Coventry Parish, Somerset Co.....	67 11
All Hallows' Parish, Worcester Co.....	23 04
St. Peter's Parish, Talbot Co.....	52 82
St. Michael's, Talbot Co.....	109 03
All Saints'.....	54 79
Wye Parish, Talbot Co.....	130 06
Worcester Parish, Worcester Co.....	40 00
St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co.....	56 60
St. John's Parish, Caroline Co.....	2 08
Carried forward.....	<hr/> \$713 00

Brought forward.....	\$718 00
Cathedral Easton, Talbot Co.....	20 00
Shrewsbury Parish, Kent Co.....	16 16
St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil Co.....	107 74
St. Augustine's Parish, Cecil Co.....	3 76
Trinity, Elkton, Cecil Co.....	91 88
St. Mary's White Chapel, Caroline Co.....	13 20
Chester Parish, Kent Co.....	10 00
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	\$978 34
East New Market, Dorchester Co.....	42 00
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Pocomoke	30 00
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action with this matter we would offer the following resolutions :

Resolved, That Dr. I. L. Adkins, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, be authorized to receive the money collected for the Episcopal Residence and School, and enter the same in a separate account book kept for that purpose, and with the advice of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund invest the opportunity offers in safe securities.

2. That the Committee be continued and urge on the accumulation of funds with dispatch.

3. That the Clergy and Laity are in duty bound to give to the Committee their urgent, earnest sympathy and support in furthering this work, on the interest of the Diocese and the welfare of this people so much

ERASTUS F. DASHIELL,
W. Y. BEAVEN,
JAMES A. MITCHELL.

Paul Winchester, presented the report of the Committee on Funds.

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the reports of the Treasurer of the Convention, Treasurer of the Trust Fund, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, and the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, respectively, that they have carefully examined each of said accounts and find them to stand as follows :

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer of the Convention.*

Balance on hand June 1, 1884.....	\$ 44 13	
Cash Receipts during the year.....	539 56	
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Disbursements to June 1, 1885.....	621 35	
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Leaving Balance due Treasurer from Convention.....	\$ 38 28	

Report of Treasurer of Trust Fund in Account with Stepney Parish.

Amount to Credit of Stepney Parish, 1884.....	\$118 32	
Interest to June 1, 1885.....	7 10	
	<hr/>	\$125 42

(Signed,) THOMAS HUGHLETT,
*Treasurer.*I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer of Board of Diocesan Missions.*

Deficit brought forward.....	\$ 2 10	
Amount expended during the year.....	1,607 10	
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Total.....	\$1,609 20	
Amount received during the year.....	1,536 21	
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Deficit.....	\$ 73 29	

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer of Clergy Relief Fund.*

Cash on hand as per last report.....	\$ 343 9	
Contributions received since last report.....	392 3	
Interest on loans to date.....	94 6	
Dividends on stock.....	66 0	
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Total.....	\$ 896 9	
Deduct loan made July 22, 1884.....	440 0	
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Cash on hand June 1, 1885.....	\$ 456 9	
M. H. A. stock at par.....	1,200 0	
Loans secured by note at 6 per cent.....	1,640 0	
Contribution made by Bishop Lay on terms as contained in letter annexed to Treasurer's Report.....	500 0	
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Total.....	\$3,796 9	
Showing an increase in the Fund during the year of.....	1,052 9	

The Committee have carefully examined the vouchers of the Treasurer of the Convention and find them correct and all the disbursements properly accounted for.

W. H. NEWNAM,
PAUL WINCHESTER,
THOS. H. OLIVER,
Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard read the report on the State of the Church; the resolution appended was on motion adopted.:

Your Committee have carefully examined and tabulated the reports presented to them—thirty-four in number. They find the number of baptisms somewhat smaller than last year, though greater than that of the year before, while the sad cause of a diminution in the number of confirmations and additions to the Communion is well known to all. In other respects the condition of the Diocese seems favorable. The contributions to Diocesan objects, especially to the relief of disabled Clergy through the fund established for this general object and otherwise, are very gratifying. For the General Missions of the Church the Diocese has done something, but might have done more. In Parochial matters there are many evidences of life and work. The people are still looking carefully to the comfort of the Clergy, as is manifested particularly by the purchase of means of conveyance and continued building and improvement of Rectories. Of these last the one in this Parish is a noticeable instance. The preservation and beautifying of the Sanctuary has also engaged the thoughts and called forth the energies of the people. The venerable church in Snow Hill has been protected by a slate roof and renovated in the interior. The completion of the new chancel in Salisbury adds much to the beauty and fitness of the church. The new chapel in Cordova, All Saints' Parish, has been finished. The church in Cambridge, though the work has been somewhat hindered, approaches completion. At Church Hill there is a new organ. A brass memorial tablet in memory of the Rev. Whittingham D. Mitchell, a former Rector, has been placed in Trinity Church, Elkton. The year has been marked by changes through removals and deaths in many Parishes, and among these last your Committee find reported from Pocomoke Parish one which the Convention will deeply feel, that of Saml. S. McMaster.

Your Committee offer for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That though the bright hopes of last year, so far as they were derived from the apparent renewal of the Bishop's health, have been sadly shattered, and in other ways not quite fully realized, yet the exhibit presented by the reports from the various Parishes is by no means discouraging, and that while it may be with heavy hearts, we consecrate ourselves anew to the work of the Church and the service of the Lord.

F. W. HILLIARD,
WM. SCHOULER,
R. C. MACKALL.

The Rev. F. B. Adkins offered the following resolution of respect to the memory of deceased members, which was unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God, in His Infinite Wisdom, to call from their earthly labors to the rest of Paradise our friends and brothers, Hon. R. B. Carmichael and Hon. Samuel S. McMasters :

Resolved, That we, the Clergy and Laity of this Convention, desire to express our appreciation of their faithful services as Lay Delegates to this body for many years.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to the respective families of the deceased, and also inscribe the same on the minutes of the said Convention.

On motion of Dr. R. C. Mackall it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of the Diocese be held in Trinity Church, Elkton.

On motion of Dr. R. C. Mackall it was

Resolved, That this Convention cannot adjourn without recording its thorough appreciation of the generous hospitality and kindness of the citizens of Centreville and vicinity.

Ordered, That the Treasurer pay to the Sexton of this Church the sum of \$10.00.

Resolved, That we cheerfully acknowledge our obligations to the Rector and Vestry of this Church for the use of the same, and for their attention to the general comfort of the members of the Convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due to the Chester River Steamboat Company and to the P. W. & B. Railroad Company for their considerate reduction of fare to the members of the Convention.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Bowne it was

Resolved, That thanks be tendered to the Choir for the music rendered during the meeting of the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gassner it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to print a corrected copy of the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese in the next Journal.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Gassner it was also

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to print 750 copies of the Journal.

On motion of Dr. Mackall it was

Resolved, That, in order to meet the demand made by the meeting of the next General Convention the Parishes be assessed 50 per cent. additional to the present assessment.

On motion, the roll of the Parishes was again called by the Secretary with the view of increasing the pledges to meet the expenses of the Board of Missions for the ensuing year. The following were the amounts severally pledged. (See Appendix.)

On motion it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Reverend President for the impartiality and courtesy that have characterized the performance of his duties.

On motion, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with, and after suitable devotion the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

THEO. P. BARBER,
President pro tempore.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WM. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Wardens—W. T. Downes and Harry Thompson.

Vestrymen.—Dr. T. S. Reynolds, I. P. Manlove, W. C. Satterfield, J. M. Wooters, W. T. Dukes, J. A. Morgan, Charles R. Wooters, Geo. W. Ernst.

Families 35; Souls 170; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 9; Total 10; Marriages 5; Burials 7; Communicant added 1; removed 1; present number 50; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 20.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$11.98.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$292.97; Current Expenses \$24.

Church Property.—Rectory valued at \$1,500; Holy Trinity Church, Sittings 300; value \$3,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Sittings 150; value \$3,000; the Parish owns five acres of land, assessed at \$400.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector*.

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. M. Russum and Geo. W. Richardson.

Vestrymen.—G. M. Russum, P. W. Downes, J. W. Bryant, Charles Stevens, C. W. Byrne, G. W. Richardson, R. G. Stewart.

Families 26; Souls 115; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 12; Total 13; Marriages 2; Burials 7; Communicants added 5; died 2; removed 2; present number 29; actually communicating 27; Sunday Schools, 2; Teachers 12; Scholars 35.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$8; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$3.50; Diocesan Missions \$30.50; Home for Friendless Children \$2.55; Episcopal Residence \$13.20.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$300; Mission Committee, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$300; Current Expenses \$64.65; Improvements and Repairs, (painting Church) \$45; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$9.81; for a Rectory \$395.

Church Property.—Sittings 125; value \$2,400; insured for \$1,600.

Besides, at the Parish Church in Denton, services are now held at two school houses, distant, the one 4 miles from Denton, the other 16 miles, near Federalsburg. This Parish is indeed in the strictest sense a mission field. For the maintenance of a Rector it raises only \$300, and for a Rectory, so far, only \$395, and not all this in actual money; some part of it is lumber. I am sorry to report that although a lot of $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre was donated for a Rectory, a mortgage of \$750 rests upon the almost completed building and on the lot.

SAMUEL D. HALL, *Rector*.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. T. Price and Benj. P. Hanson.

Vestrymen.—Byron Bouchelle, Joseph H. Steele, Robert H. Baker, Geo. W. Kibler, G. Oldham Massey, Wm. T. Price, Benj. P. Hanson and Wm. T. Harriott.

Families 18; Souls 97; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 2; Total 3; Confirmed; Communicants added 1; died 1; removed 3; present number 22; Sunday Schools, Teachers 7; Scholars 31.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$1; Diocesan Missions \$10.73; Episcopal Residence \$3.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200; amount paid \$153.57; Current Expenses \$26.17; Improvements and Repairs \$9; Building and Furnishing of Church in Chesapeake City \$257.27 Other Purposes \$64.23.

Church Property.—Sittings 100; Value \$500; Chapel Sittings 130; Value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,520.

The Parish is very greatly indebted to Alfred Nowland, Esq., of Newcastle, Del., for provision made for the renovating of St. Augustine Church; also to the Rev. Lewis Walke for a service held monthly at St. Augustine during a large portion of the year. Service is held regularly by the Rector at Chesapeake City, in addition to duties rendered by him at Trinity Church, Elkton.

WM. SCHOULER, *Rector*.

St. Mary Anne's or North Elk Parish.

Wardens.—Samuel L. Chamberlain and Horace Alexander.

Vestrymen.—Henry S. Coudon, George P. Whitaker, Samuel L. Chamberlain, Joseph Coudon, John S. Simcoe, Samuel W. Day, Wilson L. Coudon, Wm. Crary.

Families 75; Souls 350; Baptisms, Adults 5; Infants 48; Total 53; Confirmed 1; Marriages 7; Burials 38; Communicants added 2; died 3; removed 4; present number 95; Sunday Schools, Teachers 15; Scholars 125.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$12; Foreign \$3.87; Colored \$2; Domestic \$3.87.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15; Convention Fund \$12; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$25.31; Diocesan Missions \$50.42; Home for Friendless Children \$4.14; Disabled Clergy \$12.52; Episcopal Residence \$107.74.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$700; Current Expenses \$164.76; Improvements and Repairs \$200; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$47.93; Vacation Fund \$30; Carriage for Rector \$83; Sunday School Expenses \$66.75; Other Purposes \$50.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$5,000; Insured for \$2,000; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250; value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Mark's Chapel,ittings 100; value \$1,800; St. John's in the Wilderness Chapel,ittings 100; Value \$800; the Parish owns 18 acres of land, assessed at \$2,500.

There were 10 candidates for confirmation, but owing to the illness of the Bishop, the confirmation was postponed. The congregation at the Parish Church is steadily increasing.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector*.

North Sassafraz Parish.

Wardens.—John C. Crookshank and David P. Davis.

Vestrymen.—Samuel E. Wills, George Biddle, David P. Davis, William War Henry Black, John C. Crookshank, Thos. C. Crookshank, Henry S. Cochran

Families 20; Souls 100; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 11; Total 13; Marriages 8; Burials 13; Communicant added 1; removed 1; present number 50 Sunday Schools, Teachers 10; Scholars 60.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$5; Foreign \$

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$15; Diocesan Missions \$50; Home for Friendless Children \$28; Episcopal Residence and Library \$65.19.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$263.40; Improvements and Repairs \$868.46; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$26.42; Other Purposes \$30.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500; St. Stephen's Church,ittings 200; Value \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,ittings 125; Value \$2,800; Insured for \$2,600; the Parish owns 300 acres of land, assessed at \$15,000.

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector*.

Trinity Parish.

Wardens.—W. W. Henderson and Alfred Wetherill.

Vestrymen.—R. G. Reese, Dr. R. C. Mackall, W. W. Henderson, L. T. Roberts, John Partridge, Alfred Wetherill, H. P. Leslie and John S. Wirt.

Families 52; Souls 231; Baptisms, Adults 3; Infants 6; Total 9; Confirmed 7; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Communicants, added 5; present number 87; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 47.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$21.74; Clergy Relief, and for Widows and Orphans \$5.00.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$16; Convention Fund 20; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$6.79; Diocesan Missions \$64.59; Expenses of Convocation \$10.51; Home for Friendless Children \$6.65; Special for Clergy Relief \$10.00; Episcopal Residence \$88.88.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$212.59; Improvement and Repairs \$37.15; Unexpended balance \$14.17; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$26.27; For all other purposes \$60.60.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$3,000; Insured for \$3,000; Trinity Church, Sittings 200; Value \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$414.

A brass tablet, in memory of the late Rev. Whittingham D. Mitchell has been placed in the Chancel of Trinity Church. Frequent services have been held by Dr. R. C. Mackall, Lay Reader, at Baldwin's Mills.

WM. SCHOULER, *Rector*.

St. James' Church, Port Deposit.

Wardens.—W. W. Hopkins and R. E. McClenahan.

Vestrymen.—W. W. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan, E. John Rineheart, W. W. Davis, John F. Mohrlein, Jas. M. Touchstone and W. H. Noble.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10.00; Convention Fund \$12.50.

This Church has been without a regular Rector for the past two years, although services have been frequently held. It is impossible to make an accurate return of members, families, &c.

W. W. HOPKINS,
R. E. McCLENAHAN,
Wardens.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Wardens.—H. S. Carroll and J. H. Edmondson.

Vestrymen.—Wm. W. Mace, Sam'l M. Travers, T. King Carroll, J. H. Edmondson, John M. Willis, Robt. L. Spilman, Thomas W. Stapleforte and H. S. Carroll.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 13; Total 14; Burials 2; Communicants, present number 28; Actually Communicating 23; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 23.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$2; Jews \$1.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$8; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$3.25; Diocesan Missions \$25; Home for Friendless Children \$6.37; Special Objects \$5.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$124.25; Current Expenses \$50.19; Improvements and Repairs on Trinity Church Yard \$6; Sunday School Paper 65 cents.

Church Property.—Trinity and Grace Churches,ittings 360; Value \$3,500; Insured for (Grace Church) \$3,000.

The Sunday School for some time suspended, has been revived with encouraging prospects. Through the kindness of friends at home and abroad, the Rector has been able to procure a comfortable conveyance. The Parish horse too is a great comfort and aid to him, and is well provided for by the parishioners.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector*.

East New Market Parish.

Wardens.—Thomas J. Helsby and James B. Bradley.

Vestrymen.—Isaac H. Wright, Elbridge S. Johnson, Thomas Leckie, Thomas J. Hicks, Dr. James H. Thomas, John Andrew, William T. Vickers and M. S. Fletcher.

Families 28; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infants 2; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Communicants, added 1; Died 1; present number 40; Sunday School, Teachers 5; Scholars 35.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$7; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$15; Episcopal Residence \$33.77.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$200; amount paid \$124.07; Current Expenses \$24; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$21.61; Rectory \$163.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Stephen Church,ittings 120; Value \$1,000.

CHARLES H. VANDYNE, *Rector*.

Great Choptank Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. R. Hayward and Edwin Dashiell.

Vestrymen.—Alex. H. Bayley, Wm. R. Hayward, D. M. Henry, Edward W. LeCompte, Edwin Dashiell, Chas. F. Goldsborough, Thos. B. Steele, G. W. Mundy.

Families 85; Souls 500; Baptisms, Infants 28; Confirmed 5; Marriages 4; Burials 15; Communicants, Added 11; Died 4; Removed 10; present number 179; Sunday School, Teachers 12; Scholars 120.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$15.50; Foreign \$5; Society for promoting Christianity among the Jews \$4.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$25; Convention Fund \$30; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$10; Diocesan Missions \$110.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$200; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$190; For all other purposes \$60.

Church property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,300; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church; St. John's Chapel, Insured for \$800; Value \$900; St. James' Chapel, Insured for \$700; Value \$1,000.

There have been unlooked for obstacles and disappointments to interrupt our effort for the completion of the new Church. But the exterior of the attractive edifice is now finished. And we are applying all our energies and resources to the interior work. There is a strong hope that, before winter, the condition of the Church will warrant us in occupying it for worship. Meanwhile, the faithful services of the Assistant Minister, in the frequent absence of the Rector, have endeared him to us all. And the generous sympathy of many dear Brethren, far and near, have strengthened our hearts.

There is one source of deep regret that our offerings for distribution without the Parish have been unavoidably diminished.

Especially we grieved that an emergency compelled the diversion of Thanksgiving Day Offerings from that noble benevolence, The Home for Friendless Children.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector*.

JAMES L. BRYAN, *Assistant Minister*.

Vienna Parish.

Warden.—James A. Higgins.

Vestrymen.—James M. Robertson, Dr. Eugene Hodson, Thomas Higgins, Noah I. Kennerly, Wm. H. Turpin, R. Watson Webb, William S. Craft, James A. Higgins, Albert Webb.

Families 14; Souls 49; Marriage 1; Communicants, removed 1; present number 17; Sunday School, Teachers 3; Scholars 15.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$10; Episcopal Residence \$8.74.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$100; amount paid \$100; Current Expenses \$15; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$10; Rectory at East New Market \$75.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church, value \$400; The Parish owns two acres of land.

CHAS. H. VANDYNE, *Rector*.

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

Wardens.—N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes.

Vestrymen.—W. N. E. Wickes, Jas. A. Reese, E. F. Perkins, W. S. Walker, Geo. B. Westcott, W. Frank Hines, G. W. T. Perkins and S. Hepbron Blackiston.

Families 34; Souls 146; Baptism, Infants 5; Marriages 4; Burials 12; Communicants, Added 2; Removed 1; present number 104; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 75.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$36.03; Domestic \$3.86; Foreign \$1.93; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$5.50; Promotion of Christianity among the Jews \$6.15.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$33; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$9.30; Diocesan Missions \$87.46; Home for Friendless Children \$6.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$151.35; Improvement and Repairs \$19.78; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$72.31; Children's Aid Society \$45.47; Dorcas Society \$50; Mite Society \$48.27.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,500; Emmanuel Church, Sittings 281; value \$6,000; One Chapel, Sittings 85; value \$400; Its Invested Funds amounts to two Bonds \$2,000.

STEPHEN C. ROBERTS, *Rector*

I. U. Parish.

Wardens.—Ed. W. Hepbron and Sam'l Wallis.

Vestrymen.—James Gemmell, Sam'l Wallis, Ed. W. Hepbron, Luther Hamlin, Wm. Smith, J. H. Hossinger and Albert Perkins.

Families 20; Souls 90; Baptisms, 15; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Communicants, present number 28; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 22.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$5.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$5; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5.50; Diocesan Missions \$5; Home for Friendless Children \$6.61.

For Parochial Uses.—Current Expenses \$25; Improvements and Repairs \$25.

Church Property.—Parish Church, Sittings 200; Value \$3,000.

By the appointment of the Bishop, I am still officiating for the congregation of I. U. Parish, once on each Sunday. The people continue to attend.

interest, and though now few in number, are not without hope of rous times, when in both strength and numbers they will be increased.

JNO. MARTIN, *Officiating Rector.*

North Kent Parish.

Infants 9; Confirmations, no Visitation; Communicants, last added 4; removed 2; present number 57; Marriage 1; Funerals 4; is \$1,185.35.

signed has resigned the Rectorship of this Parish; it offers an in- of labor to an earnest worker.

J. N. WAITSON.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—George A. Jessup and Henry Nichols.

George Bell, George Beck, Stevenson Constable, Thos. A. Hulme, Rasin, James Rankin, Benjamin I. Taylor and J. C. Wheatly.

35; Souls 140; Baptisms, Infants 9; Marriages 5; Burials nicants, Died 2; present number 62; Sunday School, Teachers 6;

ions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Clergy \$19.44; Home for Friendless Children \$1.89.

hial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid nt Expenses \$72; Improvements and Repairs \$17; Communion ther Charities for the Poor \$32.69; C. R. F. S. \$14.

roperty.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Parish owns fifty acres of

HENRY WALL, *Rector.*

Shrewsbury Parish.

Wardens.—John C. Sutton and H. C. Wallis.

—J. M. Armstrong, N. W. Comegys, J. W. Hurtt, J. W. Ireland, G. Jacoby, D. J. Nowland, Henry Parr, E. B. Pennington.

35; Souls 250; Baptisms, Infants 16; Marriages 3; Burials 12; nts added 7; died 1; removed 8; present number 89; Sunday Teachers 9; Scholars 70.

ions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$2.80; Mission \$1.60; Colored \$2; Clergy Relief 10 per cent. of Alms.

san Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan ef Fund \$30.80; Diocesan Missions \$51; Home for Friendless Chil-; Episcopal Residence \$16.16.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$134.36; Improvements and Repairs \$234.30; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$53.86; Special \$69; Sunday School \$32.24.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Church,ittings 200; Value \$3,250; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel, Value \$2,800; Insured for \$1,600; the Parish owns 10 acres of land, assessed at \$1,000.

The improvements in the Church yard still continue. A house for the Sexton is soon to be built, the lumber being already on the ground. The entire Church has been newly carpeted.

R. HEBER MURPHY, *Rector*.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wardens.—Jas. W. Goodhand and Charles R. Blake.

Vestrymen.—Ed. C. Legg, Wm. P. Thompson, Wm. Henry Legg, E. S. Skinner, Jas. W. Goodhand, Wm. P. Tanner, Wm. B. Goodhand, Jas. B. Hopkins.

Families 20; Souls 110; Baptisms, Infants 3; Confirmed 11; Marriages Burials 4; Communicants added 12; removed 1; present number 40; Sunday Schools, Scholars 35.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$7.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12.50; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Missions \$5.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; Current expenses \$40; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$8; Other expenses \$45.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church,ittings 150; Value \$2,500.

The farms held in trust by the Vestry are improving in value, and the Committee to whom is entrusted this especial management are doing all they can to enhance the value of these lands.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector*.

St. Luke's Parish.

Wardens.—W. E. B. Faithful and Washington Collins.

Vestrymen.—Wm. Gould, Joseph E. George, James Brown, Wm. H. Newell, Robert J. Catlin, A. J. Gadd, J. W. Appieford, E. S. Valliant.

Families 50; Souls 231; Baptisms, Infant 1; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Communicants added 6; removed 6; present number 92; Sunday School Teachers 10; Scholars 90.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$1; Diocesan Missions \$39.95.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500; Current Expenses \$78.77; Improvements and Repairs \$82.14; Communion Alms and other charities for the Poor \$19.40; Restoration Fund \$150.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,400; Insured for \$1,600;ittings 1; Value \$5,200; Insured for \$3,000; 1 Chapel value \$2,500.

The present Rectorship beginning January 25th last, this report must necessarily be incomplete. A handsome pipe organ, valued at about \$1,000, the gift of G. Hawkins Williams, Esq., has recently been put in place, and is a valuable acquisition. The rear premises of the Rectory have been substantially closed. The Chapel at Sudlersville has been beautifully carpeted and painted within and without. The original site and Church yard of this Chapel, consisting of some two acres of land, located a few miles from the village, is likely to be lost to the Parish through lapse of title unless vigorous measures be taken for its re-possession.

J. PLEASANTON DU HAMEL, D. D., *Rector*.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—Richard T. Earle and William B. Earle.

Wardymen.—R. T. Earle, Wm. McKenney, John B. Brown, Wm. H. Warren, Edwin H. Brown, Richard Hollyday, Charles N. Clash.

Families 67; Souls 350; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 24; Total 25; Confirmed 3; Marriages 3; Burials 7; Communicants added 2; died 2; removed 1; present number 142; Sunday Schools, Teachers 9; Scholars 56; Parish Schools, Teacher 1; Scholars 18.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$2; Clergy Relief \$3; Other Purposes \$7.12; Mission to Jews \$6.35.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$85.33; Home for Friendless Children \$23.38; Miscellaneous \$24.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$187.50; Improvements and Repairs \$445.73; Communion Alms and other charities for the Poor \$68.49; Sunday School \$28.12; Episcopal Residence and Library \$72.16; Other Purposes \$24.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,200; Insured for \$3,000; St. Paul's Church,ittings 350; value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

In December last the new Rectory was completed and occupied. This Parish now has a commodious and comfortable Rectory. The cost of the building was \$3,200, exclusive of the expense of grading and fencing the lot. The Ladies' Aid Society furnished the library at a cost of \$95.65. The contributions of the congregation towards this improvement, as far as payment has been made, are included in the reports of last year, and in the above report.

The Ladies' Aid Society also furnished \$14.30 for alms to the poor. The Sunday School offerings amounted to \$72.96, of which \$60 was expended on furniture for the chancel of the Church. All these sums are included in the above report.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector*.

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Wardens.—J. P. Davidson and H. R. Hopkins, M. D.

Vestrymen.—C. H. Tilghman, J. P. Davidson, Chas. Cockey, M. D., Tilghman Paca, W. W. Rose, C. W. McConnor, Geo. DeRoachbrune.

Baptisms, Infants 10; Confirmed 2; Marriages 2; Burials 5, Communicants added 2; died 2; removed 6; present number 78; actually communicating 63.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$3.45; Mission to the Jews \$2.60.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$14.25; Home for Friendless Children \$17; Episcopal Residence \$130.06.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500; amount paid \$469; Current Expenses \$92.41; Improvements and Repairs \$8.74; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$12.75.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200; St. Luke's Church and Chapel,ittings 350; Value \$2,000; the Parish owns $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land.

This Parish has sustained heavy losses by removal and death since the incumbency of the present Rector. Of the 78 communicants reported above, only 64 are residents, and several of these not communing.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector*—

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Wardens.—Thomas Williams and Charles E. Curtis.

Vestrymen.—Edmund J. Davy, Charles E. Curtis, Thomas Williams, John Sudler, Alfred Turpin, Charles C. Wetherill, John Miles, Baldwin Hufty.

Families 57; Souls 245; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 34; Total 35; Confirmed 3; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Communicants added 3; died 1; present number 90.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$15.20; Foreign \$8.33; Clergy Relief \$2.23; New York Prayer Book Society \$5.69; Mission to the Jews \$1.

for Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10; Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan
gy Relief Fund \$3.41; Diocesan Missions \$59.67; Home for Friendless
ldren \$2.15; Episcopal Residence \$67.11.

for Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid
; Current Expenses \$22.10; Improvements and Repairs \$359.05; Com-
ion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$24.15.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Ste-
s's Church, Sittings 200; Value \$1,500; Insurance on SS. Stephen's and
s \$2,950.50; St. Mark's Chapel, Sittings 100; Value \$800; St. Paul's
ch, Sittings 200; Value \$2,400.

OLIVER H. MURPHY, *Rector*.

Somerset Parish.

Wardens.—John Woolford and P. Mark Smith.

Symen.—Isaac S. Atkinson, William J. Brittingham, H. H. Dashiell, John
Dashiell, William H. Gale, Omar A. Jones, Robert J. Waller, Levin Wool-
d.

families 80; Souls 400; Baptisms, Infants 20; Confirmed 3; Marriages 5;
als 6; Communicants added 3; died 3; present number 190; Sunday
ols, Teachers 10; Scholars 60.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Mission to the Jews \$8; Increase
ministry \$40; Nashotah \$2.

for Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan
gy Relief Fund \$100; Diocesan Missions \$81; Episcopal Residence and
ary \$66.

for Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$741.65; Current Expen-
160; Improvements and Repairs \$564.21; Special Purpose \$50; Conven-
Expenses \$90.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,500; St. An-
s's Church, Sittings 300; Value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saints',
ngs 150; Value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,000; its Invested Fund amounts to
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JOHN O. BARTON, *Rector*.

Wicomico Parish.

Wardens.—J. D. Costen and Lee Griffith.

Symen.—Wm. E. Jones, D. W. Jones, M. D., M. F. Bounds, F. E. Bailey, J.
W. Barnett, H. T. Costen, Geo. A. Bounds, A. H. Green.

families 23; Souls 125; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 4; Total 5; Marriages 2;
al 1; Communicants, present number 28; Sunday Schools, Teachers 7; Schol-
5.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Clergy Relief \$6.50.
 For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$10; Episcopal Residence \$32—78.
 For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$75; amount paid \$33.05; Current Expenses \$5; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$1.13; Disabled Clergymen \$5.
 Church Property.—Grace Church,ittings 120; Value \$1,500.
 FRANKLIN B. ADKINS, *Rector*.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

Pocomoke Parish.

Wardens.—C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt.
Vestrymen.—C. C. Lloyd, John E. Hayward, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, Geo. T. Truitt, Geo. W. Bailey, E. W. McMaster, Jas. W. Dougherty, Jr.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 10; Total 11; Marriages 2; Burials 10; Communicants added 2; died 3; removed 6; present number 116; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 90.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$8.80; Mission to Jews \$3.76; New York Prayer Book Society \$4.75.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15; Convention Fund \$18; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$13.80; Diocesan Missions \$26.40; Home for Friendless Children \$9; Other Objects \$11.90; Episcopal Residence \$30.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$487.46; Current Expenses \$107.13; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$10.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250; Value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel, Value \$1,000; School House and Lot, Value \$100; its Invested Fund amounts to \$445.47.

Though the town of Pocomoke is growing and has a fair prospect before it, in which the Church may hope to have its share, the past year has been a sad one to this Parish. There have been several removals, and, not to speak of other deaths among the communicants, we have met with a loss which the Diocese will readily appreciate, in that of Saml. S. McMaster. He was the long-time friend and co-worker of the first Rector; the strong and ready helper of his successor; the humble and earnest waiter upon the Lord in His Holy Temple, while few have won from the poor and suffering such love and gratitude for words and deeds of wise beneficence.

FRANCIS W. HILLIARD, *Rector*—

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

Wardens.—John T. Harrison and George W. Tyler.

Vestrymen.—John C. Adams, George W. Tyler, James H. Covey, John T. Harrison, Eugene Denny, Arthur K. Easter, Wm. Willis, Dr. Wm. Caulk.

Families 62; Souls 300; Baptisms, Infants 21; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Communicants added 2; died 1; removed 2; present number 84; actually communicating 65; Sunday Schools, Teachers 9; Scholars 60.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Clergy Relief \$6.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$14; Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$13.70; Diocesan Missions \$45; Home for Friendless Children \$18.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$740; Current Expenses \$200; Improvements and Repairs \$185; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$94.02; Other Purposes \$56.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$2,000; Parish Church,ittings 350; Value \$15,000; Insured for \$10,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak, value \$1,000; Holy Innocents, Claiborne, value \$800; its Invested Fund amounts to \$3,000.

The Ladies' Church Aid continue their indefatigable work. They have this year put a very commodious porch to the Rectory. The Rector very gladly returns thanks to the kind Parishioners of St. Paul's Chapel, Royal Oak, for the present of a very handsome white metal ice-pitcher, and also to kind friends at St. Michael's for a generous Easter present.

E. F. DASHIELL, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. W. Minnick and Richard T. Martin.

Vestrymen.—Sam'l Hambleton, Dr. I. L. Adkins, Dr. Jno. C. Earle, M. T. Goldsborough, Dr. J. E. M. Chamberlaine, E. L. F. Hardcastle, F. C. Goldsborough, Oswald Tilghman.

Families 64; Souls 400; Baptisms, Infants 10; Marriages 2; Burials 12; Communicants added 2; died 6; removed 2; present number 125; Sunday School, Teachers 13; Scholars 130.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$18; Foreign \$17; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$60; Work among the Jews \$11.25.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$12.17; Diocesan Missions \$175; Home for Friendless Children \$110.85; Fund for the Rev. Dr. Barton \$58.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,200; amount paid \$865; Current Expenses \$657.33; Improvements and Repairs \$249.61; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$137.04; For all Other Purposes \$122.19.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Christ Church, Sittings 450; value \$16,000; Insured for \$12,000; Sunday School Chapel, value \$2,500; Insured for \$2,000.

The present Rector took charge of the Parish the middle of last August, so this report does not cover a full year.

Among improvements made, may be mentioned, painting, papering and partly finishing the Rectory, and the purchase of a new and handsome carriage, and also a large addition to the Sunday School Library.

CHARLES E. BUCK, *Rector*.

Whitemarsh Parish.

Wardens.—John W. Martin and Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Vestrymen.—W. A. Kirby, John Warner, James T. Bartlett, Robert Bartlett, Joseph B. Seth, James H. Benson, John W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Families 68; Souls 310; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 9; Total 10; Marriages 6; Burials 4; Communicants, added 8; died 2; removed 7; present number 120; actually communicating 99; Sunday School, Teachers, 8; Scholars 35.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$5.72; Foreign \$26.80; Jews \$5.33; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$3.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$25; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$51.33; Diocesan Missions \$70; Home for Friendless Children \$55.50; Disabled Clergymen \$47.80; Episcopal Residence \$27.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$586.75; Current Expenses \$156.57; Improvements and Repairs \$248.51; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$37.92; For all Other Purposes \$380.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Paul's Church, Trappe, Sittings 250; value \$3,500; Insured for \$2,500; Grace Chapel, Oxford, value \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector*.

Trinity Cathedral Parish.

Trustees.—H. E. Bateman, J. F. Bateman, P. F. Thomas, T. K. Robson, Paul Winchester, Charles Seymour.

Families 28; Souls 119; Baptisms, Infants 14; Confirmed 1; Marriages 3; Burials 8; Communicants, added 4; died 1; removed 6; present number 48; actually communicating 34; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 85.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$4.09; Domestic \$5.71; Jewish Missions \$1.18.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$8.87; Diocesan Missions \$54.31; Home for Friendless Children \$12.85.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$64.68; Improvements and Repairs \$181.04; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$96.99; For all Other Purposes \$20.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,750; Insured for \$1,500; Church, Sittings 175; value \$3,000; Insured for \$600; Holy Cross Chapel, value \$400; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$300.

At Christmas, the Chancel was beautified by the addition of a handsome brass memorial altar cross, and a neat walnut Rectern. Funds are in hand for paving in front of Cathedral and Clergy-house lots. The Woman's Guild is most effective in every good work.

THE BISHOP, *Rector.*

GEORGE SEARS GASSNER, *Assistant Minister.*

All Saints' Parish.

Wardens.—George R. Goldsborough and A. P. Neal.

Vestrymen.—H. Austin, J. McD. Goldsborough, George R. Goldsborough, J. T. Kirby, Hedge Thompson, Dr. C. H. Rose, Thos. Hopkins, Sr., Chas. N. Willis.

Families 44; Souls 200; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 17; Total 18; Confirmed 8; Marriages 4; Burials 8; Communicants, added 8; died 2; present number 71; actually communicating 32; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 60.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$36.96; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans, All Saints' Day \$20.21; for the Conversion of the Jews \$9.27.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$33.55; Diocesan Missions \$69.78; Home for Friendless Children \$65.37.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$73.56; Improvements and Repairs, \$101.04; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$23.57; Building Chapel \$867.19; Collections at same \$18.92; Sunday School, \$4.28; Total \$889.39; Whitsunday, 42 Mite Chests \$54.79; For all Other Purposes \$67.25.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,300; All Saints' Church, Sittings 175; value \$8,000; Insured for \$6,000; Good Shepherd Chapel, Cordova, Sittings 100; value \$1,600; Insured for \$1,200; the Parish owns thirty-three acres of land.

Since last year's report, a Chapel at Cordova has been built at the cost of \$1,600. Much credit is due to the Building Committee, Dr. C. H. Rose, C. R. Wooters, Rob't Colby, P. A. Morgan, Thos. P. Hopkins, and also to the builder, George Trax, for giving the Church in this village so neat a Chapel. We have collected and paid out \$867.19, leaving a balance yet to be raised \$732.81, before the building will be free from debt and can be consecrated. With a little outside help, we can do this before the next Convention.

The Rectory grounds during the year, have been improved by fencing, and the land is in a much better state of cultivation than it was a year ago.

The Guild of the Good Shepherd has been organized at Cordova, and has already done much for the Sunday School and attending to keeping the Chapel in decency and order for divine service.

W. Y. BEAVEN, Rector.

Miles River Parish.

Wardens.—Commodore Chas. Lowndes and C. Howard Lloyd.

Vestrymen.—Com. Chas. Lowndes, C. Howard Lloyd, T. H. Oliver, D. C. Trimble, Robert Hough, J. H. Wheeler, Francis Berry, C. F. Eastman.

Families 20; Souls 94; Baptisms, Infants 7; Marriage 1; Communicants added 5; removed 2; present number 46; Sunday School, Teachers 5; Scholars 17.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Mission to the Jews \$3.36.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$14; Home for Friendless Children \$3.67.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$400; Current Expenses \$60; Improvements and Repairs \$440; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$37.38; Other Purposes \$130.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,200; Sittings 300; Church, value \$10,000; the Parish owns 2½ acres of land.

I took charge of the Parish, Nov. 1, 1884, but during the severe winter could accomplish very little. We have fitted up a small room at Tunis' Mills, where sessions are held every Sunday evening. The congregations here, as well as at St. John's, are slowly but steadily increasing, and I have every reason to "thank God and take courage." The ladies have purchased a very nice carriage for

the use of the Rector and family, and have done and are still doing every thing in their power to add to our comfort and promote the well-being of the Parish.

JOHN W. CHESLEY, *Rector*.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Wardens.—Gustavus W. White and Elijah J. Parsons.

Vestrymen.—John White, Isaac S. Adams, Chas. F. Holland, Lafayette P. Humphreys, Robert D. Ellegood, Geo. W. Waller, Washington E. Parsons, Clarence C. Waller.

Families 106; Souls 425; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 14; Total 15; Burials ; Communicants added 2; died 1; present number 175; Sunday Schools, Teachers 13; Scholars 125.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20.00; Convention Fund \$30; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$25; Diocesan Missions \$100; Home for Friendless Children \$7.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$343.34; Improvements and Repairs \$2,600; Organist's Salary \$50; Other Purposes \$71.95.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Peter's Church,ittings 450; Value \$8,800; Insured for \$6,000; the Parish owns 11 acres of land, assessed at \$1,000.

The recess chancel, which was in contemplation at the time of our last report, has been completed. It includes a chancel proper, organ chamber, and sacristy, together with a large Sunday School room running underneath the whole. The entire cost was \$3,300; of this amount, \$2,600 has been paid. The Rector trusts that the remaining indebtedness will be met this year. The St. Peter's Guild are to be highly commended for their zealous efforts in the matter of this much needed improvement.

GEO. W. BOWNE, *Rector*.

Spring Hill Parish.

Wardens.—Ezekiel Hitch and J. Frank Collier.

Assistant Wardens.—Jonathan Waller and James M. Jones.

Vestrymen.—Geo. W. Hitch, Wm. Bennett, Wm. Howard, Thos. J. Turpin, Albert L. Jones, Horace Venables, Jas. A. Waller, Geo. W. Mezick.

Families 100; Souls 395; Baptisms, Infants 3; Marriages 5; Burials 9; Communicants died 3; removed 19; present number 122.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Disabled Clergymen \$5.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$5; Convention Fund \$12; Diocesan Missions \$25; Home for Friendless Children \$4; Episcopal Residence \$102.50*.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$277.25; amount paid \$221.85*; Current Expenses \$10; Improvements and Repairs \$4; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$20; Other Purposes \$5.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200; St. Paul's Church,ittings 500; value \$4,000; St. Philip's Chapel, value \$2,000; the Parish owns 2½ acres of land.

The * after the amount for the Episcopal Residence and after the Rector's salary received, denotes that the balance could not be collected in time for the report.

FRANKLIN B. ADKINS, *Rector*.

Stepney Parish.

Wardens.—Robert Walter and George D. Walter.

Vestrymen.—Robert Walter, George D. Walter, Lewin T. Walter, Frank W al-
ler, John Willing, Littleton Leatherbury.

Families 21; Souls 114; Marriage 1; Communicants, died 1; removed 4; present number 9.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$10; Episcopal Residence \$39.93.*

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$75; amount paid \$46.50; Current Expenses \$5; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$1.37.

Church Property.—St. Bartholomew's Church,ittings 500; value \$3,000; St. Mary's Chapel, value \$1,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$118.32.

The * after the amount of the Episcopal Residence, denotes that all the boxes have not been returned.

FRANKLIN B. ADKINS, *Rector*.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

Wardens.—John J. Collins and James D. Hack.

Vestrymen.—Dr. Geo. W. Bishop, John J. Collins, Oliver D. Collins, Ed. F. Boehm, Ed. P. Davis, James D. Hack, Benjamin F. Wooley, J. Fred Wooley.

Families 24; Souls 225; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 10; Total 11; Marriages 3; Burials 6; Communicants died 1; present number 89; actually communicating 50; Sunday Schools, Teachers 12; Scholars 70.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$30.93; Clergy Relief \$8.72.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15; Convention Fund \$18; Diocesan Missions \$9.11; Home for Friendless Children \$1.01.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$650; amount paid \$650; Current Expenses \$75; Improvements and Repairs \$984.40; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$13.70.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,500; Insured for \$1,200; All Hallows' Church,ittings 350; Value \$4,000; Holy Cross Chapel, Stockton, value \$750; St. John's, Klej Grange, value \$50; its Invested Fund amounts to \$4,360.

Of the sum reported above for improvements and repairs, \$103 was used in paying off a debt on the chapel at Stockton, incurred for the same object; the balance was for slate roof, new ceiling and two carpets for All Hallows' Church. The Ladies' Aid Society has appropriated \$125 towards renewing kitchen and colonnade at Rectory. We hope to raise by subscription the balance required and do the work in the fall.

ALGERNON BATTE, *Rector.*

Worcester Parish.

Wardens.—John R. Purnell and John S. Purnell.

Vestrymen.—John S. Purnell, Dr. H. C. Hudson, B. Jones Taylor, John F. Jones, John T. Keas, Dr. J. T. Holloway, Dr. E. J. Dirickson, R. J. Showell.

Families 50; Souls 175; Baptisms, Infants 6; Marriages 6; Burials 8; Communicants added 4; removed 5; present number 63; Sunday Schools, Teachers 6; Scholars 30.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions (of which S. S. Lent offerings \$15) \$30.46; Mission to the Jews \$7.37; Clergy Relief \$8.31.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$11.43; Diocesan Missions \$72.13; Home for Friendless Children \$9.85; Disabled Clergymen \$10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$550; amount paid \$494.50; Current Expenses \$111.70; Improvements and Repairs \$410.05; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$7.96; Sunday School offerings (not including Lent offerings for Missions \$15) \$10.70; Ladies' Parish Aid Society \$336; Other Purposes \$4.17.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church,ittings 200; Value \$2,500; Insured for \$1,250; St. Martin's Chapel, value \$1,800.

Much needed repairs have been begun on the church.

JOHN R. JOYNER, *Rector.*

CLERICAL REPORT.

During the past year I have read service nine times, preached eleven times, administered the Holy Communion twice, and assisted in its administration and in reading service from time to time, as health and opportunity allowed.

Easton, June 1, 1885.

E. J. STEARNS.

TABLE I.—STATISTICS OF PERSONS.

CHURCH ORGANIZATION.	FAMILIES.	Individuals.	BAPTISMS.		Confirmations.	Marriages.	Funerals.	COMMUNICANTS.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		PARISH SCHOOLS.		
			Adult.	Infant.				Adm.	Died.	Re-moved.	Present No.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.
St. John's	35	170	1	9	...	2	7	1	...	...	50	4	20	...	...
St. Mary's Whitechapel	26	115	1	12	...	2	7	5	...	...	29	12	35	...	...
St. Andrew's	18	97	1	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	22	7	31	...	...
St. Paul's	75	350	5	48	...	7	38	2	...	...	45	15	125	...	...
St. Andrew's	20	100	2	11	...	8	13	1	...	...	50	10	60	...	...
Trinity, Ocell	52	231	3	6	7	1	6	5	...	...	87	6	47	...	...
St. John's	*115	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Andrew's	30	120	1	13	...	...	2	4	...	...	28	4	23	...	...
St. Andrew's	28	120	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	40	5	35	...	...
East New Market	14	49	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	17	3	15	...	...
St. Andrew's	85	500	...	28	...	4	13	11	4	10	179	12	120	...	...
Great Choptank	34	146	...	...	...	4	12	2	...	1	104	8	75	...	...
Chesler	20	90	...	15	...	3	3	...	...	...	28	4	22	...	...
St. Paul's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North Kent	35	140	...	9	...	...	...	4	...	...	57	...	...	...	...
St. Paul's, Kent	65	250	...	16	...	5	18	...	...	...	62	6	25	...	...
Shrewsbury	20	110	...	3	...	12	7	1	...	8	89	9	70	...	...
Christ Church	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	35	...	...
St. Luke's	60	231	...	1	...	9	6	...	...	6	92	10	90	...	...
St. Paul's, Q. A. Co.	67	300	1	24	...	3	7	2	...	8	142	8	56	1	18
Wyo.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Conventry	57	245	1	10	...	5	3	2	...	2	78	...	...	...	...
Somerset	80	400	...	34	...	5	3	...	...	...	90	...	...	...	...
Worcester	23	125	1	20	...	6	3	...	...	...	100	10	60	...	...
Worcester	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28	7	45	...	...
Worcester	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	116	8	90	...	...
St. Michael's	62	300	1	10	...	4	10	...	...	...	84	9	60	...	...
St. Michael's	20	94	...	21	...	4	7	2	...	2	46	5	17	...	...
All Saints	44	200	1	17	...	1	...	...	...	...	71	6	69	...	...
St. Peter's	64	400	...	10	...	8	...	...	...	...	125	13	130	...	...
Whitmarsh	68	310	...	...	...	6	12	...	...	...	120	8	35	...	...
Trinity Cathedral	28	119	...	14	...	4	8	...	...	1	43	8	85	...	...
Spring Hill	100	395	...	3	...	8	4	...	...	10	122	...	...	...	...
Salisbury	106	425	1	14	...	5	9	...	...	3	175	13	125	...	...
All Hallows	21	925	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	89	12	70	...	...
Worcester	50	175	...	6	...	1	6	...	...	5	63	6	30	...	...
St. Paul's by the Sea	21	114	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	4	9	...	...	...	...
Totals	1,441	6,761	22	403	40	90	200	100	40	100	2,658	228	1,681	1	18

*Supplemented from last year's report.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	CHURCH AT LARGE.						DIOCESAN.				PAROCHIAL.					
	General Miscellane.	Domestic Miscellane.	Foreign Miscellane.	Indian Miscellane.	Mission to Jews.	Increase of Ministry.	Clergy Relief.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Clergy Relief.	Dioceasan Miscellane.	Home of Friendless.	Parish Expenses.	Improve- ments.	Communion Alms.	Other Purposes.
St. John's.....							\$3 50	\$4 00	\$5 00	\$3 50	\$11 98	\$2 55	\$316 97	\$45 00	\$9 81	\$408 20
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....								4 00	8 00							324 50
Augustine.....										1 00	10 73					349 26
North Elm.....								15 00	12 00	25 31	60 54	4 14	864 76	200 00	47 93	
N. Sessarfas.....								40 00	50 00	15 00	50 00	28 00	1,263 40	868 46	26 42	196 19
Trinity, Cecil.....							\$5 00	10 00	20 00	6 79	64 59	6 65	812 59	37 15	26 27	184 16
St. James.....								10 00	12 50							
Dorchester.....									8 00	3 25	25 00	6 37	175 44	6 00	21 61	65
East New Market.....								7 00			15 00		148 07		190 00	196 77
(Great Choptank.....								25 00	30 00	10 00	110 00		800 00			
Vienna.....								4 00	5 00	9 30	87 46	6 00	1,151 35	19 28	72 21	153 74
Chester.....							5 58	40 00	33 00	9 30	87 46	6 00	1,151 35	19 28	72 21	
I. U.....							6 15	5 00	5 00	5 50	5 00	6 61	1,135 35	25 00		
North Kent.....										18 84		1 89	672 69			14 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....							1 60	20 00	20 00	30 83	51 00	26 02	734 36	234 30	53 86	117 40
Shrewsbury.....								12 50	15 00				840 00			45 00
Christ Church.....								4 00	10 00		39 95		574 77	82 14	19 40	160 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....							6 35	33 00	40 00	5 00	85 35	23 38	1,187 50	445 73	68 49	160 22
St. Paul's, Q. A.....							2 60		10 00	5 00	14 25	17 00	561 41	8 74	12 75	130 06
Wye.....							1 00		10 00	3 41	59 67	2 15	622 10	359 05	24 15	72 80
Cventry.....							8 00	33 00	40 00	100 00	81 00		901 63	564 21		208 00
Worcester.....													38 05		1 13	37 78
Pocomoke.....							3 76	15 00	18 00	13 80	26 40	9 00	594 69		10 00	46 65
St. Michael's.....							6 00	14 00	18 00	13 70	45 00	18 00	940 00	185 00	10 00	46 65
St. Peter's.....							60 00	40 00	45 00	19 13	175 00	110 00	1,522 33	249 01	137 04	180 19
Whitmarsh.....							5 33	20 00	25 00	51 33	55 50	55 50	743 32	249 01	137 04	485 30
Cathedral.....							1 13	8 00	10 00	8 87	55 13	12 83	664 68	131 04	96 99	20 00
All Saints.....							9 27	8 00	14 00	33 55	69 78	63 37	673 56	981 43	23 51	122 04
Miles River.....							3 36	8 00	14 00			3 67	460 00	440 00	37 36	130 00
Salisbury.....								20 00	30 00	25 00	100 00	7 00	1,393 34	2,600 00	20 00	112 50
Spring Hill.....									12 00		25 00	4 00	231 85	4 00	20 00	112 50
Stepney.....								5 00							1 37	89 93
All Hallows.....							8 72	15 00	18 00		9 11	1 01	725 00	984 40	13 70	60 87
Worcester.....							8 31	12 00	15 00	11 43	72 13	9 85	606 20	410 05	7 96	
St. Paul's by the Sea.....																
Totals.....	207 76	\$68 36	\$69 93		\$72 68	\$40 00	\$130 50	\$471 51	\$553 50	\$552 96	\$1536 21	\$505 06	\$327,096 10	\$9,213 10	\$1,071 92	\$3,943 16

Contributions for all purposes: General, \$489.23; Diocesan, \$3,619.27; Parochial, \$32,376.12; Other purposes, \$3,943.16; Total, \$40,626.73.
* These totals are taken from the reports of the Diocesan Treasurers.

Contributions for all purposes: General, \$589.23; Dioceasan, \$3,615.22; Parochial, \$2,375.12; Other purposes, \$3,943.16; Total, \$40,526.73.

* These totals are taken from the reports of the Dioceasan Treasurers.

TABLE III.—STATISTICS OF BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY.

PARISHES.	RECTORY.		CHURCHES.				GLEBE.		INVESTED FUND.
	Value.	Insurance.	Number.	Value.	Insurance.	Sittings.	No. Acres.	Value.	
St. John's.....	\$1,500 00	.....	2	\$6,000 00	.....	450	5	\$400 00	.....
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	.....	.....	1	2,400 00	\$1,600 00	125	.....	.....	.....
Augustine.....	.....	.....	1	6,500 00	3,500 00	230	.....	.....	.....
North Elk.....	5,000 00	.....	3	6,500 00	3,000 00	450	.....	2,600 00	.....
N. Sassafras.....	3,000 00	\$2,000 00	2	8,000 00	8,000 00	525	18	15,000 00	.....
Trinity, Cecil.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	2	8,000 00	3,000 00	200	300	.....	.....
St. James'.....	.....	3,000 00	*1	4,000 00	3,000 00	200	.....	.....	\$414 00
Dorchester.....	.....	.....	2	*5,000 00	3,000 00	560	.....	.....	.....
East New Market.....	1,000 00	600 00	1	3,500 00	3,000 00	120	.....	.....	.....
Great Choptank.....	2,300 00	1,600 00	2	1,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vienna.....	.....	.....	1	1,000 00	1,500 00	150	.....	.....	.....
Chester.....	1,500 00	.....	1	400 00	.....	365	2	.....	.....
I. V.....	.....	.....	1	6,400 00	.....	200	.....	.....	2,000 00
North Kent.....	.....	.....	1	3,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Kent.....	*4,000 00	.....	*2	*7,000 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shrewsbury.....	3,000 00	.....	1	4,000 00	*2,025 00	*250	*50	.....	.....
Christ Church.....	2,000 00	1,464 00	2	6,050 00	4,040 00	200	10	1,000 00	.....
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	1,800 00	1,000 00	1	2,000 00	.....	150	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	2,400 00	1,600 00	2	7,750 00	3,500 00	250	.....	.....	.....
Wye.....	4,200 00	3,000 00	1	6,000 00	4,000 00	550	.....	.....	1,000 00
Coventry.....	1,200 00	600 00	2	2,600 00	.....	350	.....	.....	.....
Somersel.....	1,000 00	.....	3	4,700 00	2,050 00	500	.....	.....	5,000 00
Wicomico.....	2,000 00	1,500 00	2	9,000 00	5,000 00	450	.....	.....	.....
Pocomoke.....	1,800 00	1,250 00	1	1,500 00	.....	250	.....	.....	.....
St. Michael's.....	2,500 00	2,000 00	2	6,100 00	3,000 00	350	.....	.....	445 47
St. Peter's.....	4,000 00	3,000 00	3	16,800 00	10,000 00	550	.....	.....	3,000 00
Whitemarsh.....	2,000 00	1,500 00	2	18,500 00	14,000 00	450	.....	.....	.....
Calbedral.....	2,700 00	1,500 00	2	4,700 00	3,500 00	250	.....	.....	.....
All Saints.....	3,000 00	2,300 00	2	3,400 00	600 00	175	.....	.....	.....
Miles River.....	1,800 00	1,200 00	2	9,000 00	7,200 00	275	33	.....	.....
Salisbury.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	1	*5,000 00	.....	200	2 1/2	.....	.....
Spring Hill.....	1,200 00	.....	1	8,800 00	6,000 00	450	11	1,000 00	.....
Stepney.....	.....	.....	2	6,000 00	.....	500	2 1/2	.....	.....
All Hallow's.....	1,500 00	1,200 00	2	4,000 00	.....	350	.....	.....	118 32
Worcester.....	.....	.....	3	4,800 00	.....	200	.....	.....	4,300 00
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	.....	.....	2	4,300 00	1,250 00	300	.....	.....	.....
TOTALS.....	\$62,400 00	\$35,080 00	63	\$201,600 00	\$94,065 00	9,925	434	\$19,300 00	\$16,037 79

APPENDIX.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

We are glad to be able to report that the Home continues to prosper, and the children have enjoyed good health. The appropriations from the Legislature have enabled us to make some needed improvements in minor points, besides the addition which was completed last year. Two of the larger girls have been provided with suitable homes, and one child has been received from Dorchester Parish. We are ready to receive several more children, and will be glad to take any who are really destitute.

The donations at Thanksgiving and Christmas were fewer in number and confined principally to the counties adjacent to Talbot. We hope this is not due to any decrease of interest in the Home, which is a Diocesan Institution.

Annexed will be found a list of donations and of Parishes wherein children are clothed.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

ELIZA W. LAY, *President.*

JOSIE P. DAWSON, *Cor. Secretary.*

LIST OF DONATIONS.

August—one barrel flour, from an unknown friend.

October—package of miscellaneous articles from Greensborough.

November—sugar, coffee, butter, from Wye Parish.

AT THANKSGIVING.

From All Saints—a wagon load of vegetables, bacon, poultry, groceries, wheat, soap, preserves, &c.

Whitemarsh—meal, vegetables and fruit.

St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's—poultry, bacon, flour, candy, sugar, &c.

Dorchester Parish—coffee, sugar, vegetables, dried and canned fruit, soap, &c.

St. Michael's Parish—corned beef, vegetables, dried and canned fruit.

Trinity Cathedral—vegetables and fruit from Thanksgiving decorations.

From an unknown friend—apples and sweet potatoes.

In December—from Wye Parish—canned fruit and tomatoes, coffee, vegetables, poultry, &c.

From Elkton—fifty-two pounds white sugar, besides bacon, coffee, canned tomatoes, &c. Also, calico and gingham.

Kingston—flour, bacon, meal, sugar, soap, &c.

January—a second donation from Wye Parish of flour and muslin.

Spring Hill, Wicomico—muslin.

Besides these, many articles have been received from time to time from residents of Easton and the vicinity, which it would be tedious to enumerate.

LIST OF PARISHES WHERE CHILDREN ARE CLOTHED,

St. Mary Anne's Parish, Great Choptank Parish, Shrewsbury Parish, Chestertown Parish, Berlin, Princess Anne, Salisbury, North Sassafras Parish, Whitewater Parish, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County, Sunday School of Chestertown Kent County, each clothe one child. Three children are clothed in St. Michael's Parish; two ladies of Wye Parish clothe a child; Christ Church Guild of Denton one child; a lady of St. James' Church, Port Deposit, one child.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

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MRS. J. C. W. POWELL, *Recording Secretary.*

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PORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN

in account with MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

CECIL COUNTY.

N. Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church.....	\$28 00	
Trinity Church, Elkton.....	6 65	
N. Elk Parish, St. Mary Anne's Church.....	4 14	
Total from Cecil County.....	—	\$38 79

KENT COUNTY.

Shrewsbury Parish.....	\$29 51	
Chester Parish, Chestertown.....	6 00	
I. U. Parish.....	6 61	
Total from Kent County.....	—	42 12

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish, Centreville.....	\$23 38	
Wye Parish.....	17 10	
Total from Queen Anne's County.....	—	40 48

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	\$3 55	
Total from Caroline County.....	—	3 55

TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ Church, St. Peter's Parish, Easton.....	\$110 85	
Whitemarsh Parish.....	55 50	
Christ Church, St. Michael's Parish.....	18 00	
Miles River Parish.....	3 67	
All Saints' Church.....	85 37	
Trinity Cathedral.....	40 85	
In Easton and vicinity.....	31 50	
Total from Talbot County.....	—	345 74

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.....	\$1 37	
Grace Church.....	5 00	
Total from Dorchester County.....	—	6 37

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.....	\$2 15	
Total from Somerset County.....	—	2 15

WORCESTER COUNTY.

Pocomoke Parish.....	\$9 00	
Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	9 85	
Total from Worcester County.....	—	18 85

Amount carried forward..... \$498 05

Diocesan Convention of Easton.

[1885.

Amount brought forward.....	\$498 05
WICOMICO COUNTY.	
St. Mary's Parish.....	\$7 00
Total from Wicomico County.....	7 00
Total Contributions from Parishes.....	\$505 05
Interest on Investments.....	\$531 02
Appropriation from the Legislature.....	2,000 00
From a Friend in Baltimore.....	2 00
From Friends in Virginia.....	2 00
Miscellaneous.....	138 80
Balance on Bank, June, 1884.....	752 88
	<u>3,426 70</u>
Total Receipts.....	\$3,931 75

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's Salary.....	\$250 00
Legislated Matron.....	131 25
Supplies.....	484 25
Travelling, Bedding, &c.....	151 95
Matron for contingencies.....	46 00
Stew.....	104 40
Washing.....	4 30
Laundry.....	4 32
Repairs and repairs.....	182 85
.....	45 04
.....	38 70
Total spent.....	<u>1,443 06</u>

INVESTMENTS.

.....	\$1,317 50
.....	1,000 00
..... invested this year.....	<u>2,317 50</u>
Balance on Bank.....	171 19
	<u>\$3,931 75</u>

Mrs J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, Treasurer.

..... included in the next Report—Spring Hill Parish,

..... to a Matron who felt compelled to resign her position.
..... to the Matron.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF
EASTON, *in account with* THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

Dr.

1884.	June	4.	To balance in hand as per last report.....	\$44 13
		9.	To cash and checks of Chairman of Committee...	484 50
	May	31.	To check of Thos. A. Hulnass, St. Paul's Parish, Kent County.....	20 00
1885.	Feb.	27.	To cash received from Mr. Martin of I. U. Parish,	5 00
	May	25.	To cash received from T. P. Barber, D. D., of Great Choptank Parish.....	30 00
			Balance due Treasurer	38 34

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1884.	June	5.	To cash paid Sexton and Tilghman, per voucher No. 1.....	\$12 85
	June	26.	To cash paid Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, per voucher No. 2,	20 00
	July	2.	" " Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, " " 3,	25 00
	July	5.	" " Rev. T. P. Barber, " " 4,	6 00
	July	18.	" " Rev. F. W. Hilliard, " " 5,	8 50
	Aug.	3.	" " Wm. K. Boyle & Son, " " 6,	210 00
	Aug.	5.	" " Rev. E. F. Dashiell, " " 7,	17 80
	Aug.	18.	" " Rev. J. A. Mitchell, " " 8,	16 17
	Nov.	14.	" " Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, " 2d " 8,	125 00
	Dec.	20.	" " Rev. S. C. Roberts, " " 9,	7 40
1885.	Feb.	7.	" " T. K. Robson, " " 10,	15 00
	April	—.	" " T. B. Coddington, Treas. " " 11,	18 00
	May	29.	" " Rev. T. P. Barber, " " 12,	5 25
	May	4.	" " Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, " " 13,	125 00
	May	17.	" " Rev. T. P. Barber, " " 14,	10 00

\$621 97 \$621 97

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF TRUST FUND.

TREASURER OF TRUST FUND *in account with* STEPNEY PARISH.

Amount to credit of Stepney Parish, 1884.....	\$118 32
Interest to June 1st, 1885.....	7 10

\$125 42

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND, WITH
STATEMENT OF TREASURER.

Cash on hand, Principal, last report.....	\$388 75
Interest on same, one year, to June 2d.....	23 25
	<hr/> \$412 00

RECEIPTS.

Interest and Dividends on investments.....	\$2,358 89
From Extra Assessments on Investment in the Parishes.....	367 00
Balance brought forward from last year.....	852 14
	<hr/> \$3,578 03

DISBURSEMENTS.

In payment of the Bishop's Salary.....	\$2,500 00
In payment of Taxes.....	144 05
Leaving to pay Salary.....	933 98
	<hr/> \$3,578 03

EASTON, 1885.

I. L. ADKINS, Treasurer.

The Trustees beg to report to the Convention that the Episcopal Fund, while has undergone little change, is in a condition to compare favorably with that of a previous year, as they trust the above statement will satisfactorily show. There is moderate but steady gain in the revenues, due to the more general payment of the extra assessment by the Parishes—the investment yielding about as last year. The being insufficient, by about three hundred dollars, to meet the obligations for salary and taxes, (there are no other charges) the Trustees respectfully recommend a continuance of the Parochial assessments.

If every Parish will pay this small tax annually, and with uniformity, the principal of the Fund will grow by this means alone, and there will probably be enough spare, with the cash on hand, to add something to the investment between this and the next report to the Convention. Out of the nine hundred dollars balance resources, shown in the foregoing exhibit of the finances, a quarter's salary (due the first of July) will be paid in advance this month, as usual.

A list of the securities constituting this Fund is herewith presented for the information of the Convention, signed by the resident Finance Committee, who certify that they examined the same at the Bank in Easton, there kept in the Safe Deposit box, finding them to be listed accurately and fully.

CHARLES LOWNDES,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
EDM'D L. F. HARDCASTLE,
I. L. ADKINS,
W. S. WALKER.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

34. June 2. Cash on hand as per last report,..... \$343 97

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED SINCE LAST REPORT:

June 3,	From Dorchester Parish	2 25
" 3,	" Great Choptank Parish.....	7 00
" 3,	" St. Michael's Parish.....	8 44
" 5,	" I. U. Parish.....	2 00
" 6,	" Coventry Parish.....	5 86
" 6,	" Worcester Parish.....	6 79
" 9,	" North Elk Parish.....	24 56
" 11,	" Trinity Parish.....	4 38
" 11,	" Augustine Parish.....	1 16
" 11,	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	10 50
" 12,	" St. John's Parish.....	5 00
" 10,	" Spring Hill Parish.....	4 00
" 18,	" St. Paul's Parish, Kent County.....	18 50
Sept. 25,	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	11 37
Nov. 8,	" Wicomico Parish.....	2 07
Jan'y 1,	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	8 93
" 1,	" Individual Offering.....	25 00
April 9,	" I. U. Parish.....	3 50
May 16,	" Somerset Parish.....	124 00
" 25,	" All Saints' Parish.....	16 49
" 26,	" Whitmarsh Parish, (since paid 75 cents,).....	50 58
" 26,	" Chester Parish.....	9 30
" 26,	" Great Choptank Parish.....	10 00
" 27,	" Dorchester Parish.....	1 00
" 28,	" St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. County.....	5 00
" 29,	" Wicomico Parish.....	4 00
" 30,	" St. Peter's Parish.....	12 14
June 1,	" Trinity Cathedral.....	8 54
" 1,	" 6 per cent. Interest on Loans to date.....	94 60
	" August and February Dividends on M. H. A. Stock.....	66 00

Making the sum of \$ 896 93

Deduct therefrom 6 per cent. Loan made July 22, 1885..... 440 00

Res Cash in my hands, June 1, 1885 \$ 456 93

Plus thereto M. H. A. Stock, at par..... 1,200 00

Plus 6 per cent. Loans, secured by notes..... 1,640 00

Plus the Contribution made by Bishop Lay, on terms and conditions set forth in his letter hereunto appended, for publication with this report.... 500 00

Being sum total of Clergy Relief Fund to date..... \$3,796 93

Which is an increment to this fund of \$1,052 96 during the past year.

EASTON, June 1, 1885.

EDM'D L. F. HARDCASTLE, Treasurer.

To GENERAL E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,

Treasurer of the Relief Fund of the Diocese of Easton.

My Dear Sir:

During time past, kind people have occasionally placed in my hands small sums of money for charitable uses. Sometimes the donor has confided the administration to my discretion, partially or absolutely.

Thus it is that by the savings of many years, I have a balance not appropriated, and there are reasons why it seems best to close the account.

There is a contingency in which I might feel bound to appropriate this balance in a specific direction; but it is remote and not likely to occur.

I now enclose you my note for Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, payable on demand and bearing interest from the first of June, 1885. In giving this note, I wish it to be understood—

1. That the Relief Fund will be entitled to the interest until notified to the contrary.
 2. That I and my Executors are bound for the principal sum, to be paid at my death, if the note be then outstanding.
 3. That I reserve the right, should a contingency arise demanding a specific appropriation, to withdraw this note, paying interest up to the date of such withdrawal.
- Please add this memorandum to your report, that the nature of the transaction may be set forth on the pages of the Journal of the Convention.

Yours, very respectfully,

HENRY C. LAY.

EASTON, MD., May 14, 1885.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

1884, June 4.—To Deficit brought forward..... \$2 00

TO CASH PAID DRAFTS OF THE BISHOP, AS FOLLOWS:

1884-85.—To St. Mary's, White Chapel Parish	\$300 00
To Dorchester Parish.....	300 00
To Spring Hill and Stepney Parishes.	100 00
To St. Luke's Parish	185 00
To St. John's (Caroline) Parish	100 00
To Coventry Parish	200 00
To East New Market Parish.	300 00
To I. U. Parish.....	100 00
For Printing Envelopes.....	22 50
	<hr/> \$1,609 50

By Cash from Trinity (Elkton) Parish.....	\$63 84
“ “ Augustine “	10 73
“ “ North Sassafra “	50 00
“ “ St. Mary Anne’s “	50 25
“ “ St. James’ Church, Port Deposit.....	8 00
“ “ Chester Parish.....	87 46
“ “ Shrewsbury Parish.....	65 00
“ “ I. U. “	5 00
“ “ St. Paul’s (Q. A.) Parish.....	85 33
“ “ St. Luke’s “	24 00
“ “ Wye “	19 00
“ “ All Saints’ “	68 78
“ “ St. Michael’s “	45 00
“ “ St. Peter’s “	160 81
“ “ Whitmarsh “	70 00
“ “ Trinity Cathedral	57 31
“ “ St. John’s (Caroline) “	9 25
“ “ St. Mary’s Whitechapel Parish.....	30 50
“ “ Great Choptank “	110 00
“ “ Dorchester “	25 00
“ “ East New Market “	20 00
“ “ Vienna “	9 00
“ “ Spring Hill “	25 00
“ “ Stepney “	10 00
“ “ Wicomico “	10 00
“ “ Somerset “	81 00
“ “ Worcester “	72 19
“ “ Coventry “	78 16
“ “ Pocomoke “	26 40
“ “ All Hallows’ “	8 71
“ “ Rev. Jno. W. Nott.....	3 00
“ “ Offertory at Grace Church, Balto., at an Ordination by Bishop of Easton...	10 00
“ “ Salisbury Parish.....	100 00
“ “ East New Market Parish.....	4 00
“ “ Vienna “	5 00
“ “ St. Luke’s “	15 95
“ “ Chester “	12 54
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	\$1,536 21
Deficiency.....	73 29
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	\$1,609 50

PARISH PLEDGES FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

PARISHES.	PLEDGE 1.	PLEDGE 2.
St. John's, Caroline.....	\$10 00	\$10 00
St. Mary's, Whitechapel.....	30 00	30 00
Augustine	10 00	12 50
North Elk.....	62 50	62 50
North Sassafras.....	50 00	50 00
Trinity	60 00	75 00
Dorchester.....	26 00	30 00
East New Market.....	20 00	20 00
Great Choptank.....	130 00	140 00
Vienna.....	12 00	15 00
Chester.....	75 00	85 00
I. U.....		6 00
North Kent.. ..		
St. Paul's.....		
Shrewsbury.....	60 00	60 00
Christ Church.....	20 00	30 00
St. Luke's.....	50 00	50 00
St. Paul's	125 00	150 00
Wye	25 00	25 00
Coventry.....	50 00	50 00
Somerset.....	100 00	100 00
Wicomico.....	20 00	25 00
Pocomoke	25 00	30 00
St. Michael's.....	25 00	35 00
St. Peter's.....	150 00	187 50
Whitemarsh.....	70 00	70 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	35 00	50 00
All Saints'.....		50 00
Miles River.....	25 00	50 00
Salisbury	100 00	110 00
Spring Hill.....	50 00	50 00
Stepney.....	20 00	25 00
All Hallows'.....	20 00	20 00
Worcester.....	50 00	50 00
St. Paul's by the Sea.....		
	\$1,455 50	\$1,888 50

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT TO NEXT CONVENTION.

1. Committee on Canons.
 2. Committee on Episcopal Residence and Library Room.
 3. Report of the Committee on Proposed Changes in the Prayer Book referred for future action.
 4. Report of the Committee on Christian Unity referred for further consideration.
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ERRATA.

Page 19, after first paragraph, should occur the following: "On motion, the Secretary was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the Officers of the Home or Friendless Children."

On Friday, June 5th, the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., ordained to the Diaconate George W. Lay and Lewis T. Wattson.



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DUE JUNE, SEPTEMBER, DECEMBER, 1885, AND MARCH, 1886

St. John's, Caroline.	\$10 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.	30 00
Augustine..	12 50
North Elk.....	62 50
North Sassafras	50 00
Trinity... ..	75 00
Dorchester.	30 00
East New Market.....	20 00
Great Choptank.....	140 00
Vienna.....	15 00
Chester.....	85 00
I. U.....	6 00
Shrewsbury.....	60 00
Christ Church	30 00
St. Luke's.	50 00
St. Paul's.....	150 00
Wye.	25 00
Coventry	50 00
Somerset	100 00
Wicomico.....	25 00
Pocomoke.....	30 00
St. Michael's.....	35 00
St. Peter's.....	187 50
Whitemarsh.....	70 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
All Saints'.....	50 00
Salisbury.....	110 00
Spring Hill.....	50 00
Stepney.....	25 00
All Hallows'.....	20 00
Worcester.....	50 00

PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS

DUE AT CONVENTION, 1886.

PARISHES.	Convention Fund.	Extra Assess- ment for Gene- ral Convention 50 per cent.	Episcopal Fund.	Whole Amount.
John's, Caroline.....	\$ 5 00	\$ 2 50	\$ 4 00	\$11 50
Mary's Whitechapel.....	8 00	4 00	4 00	16 00
Mary Anne's.....	15 00	7 50	12 00	34 50
St. Sassafras.....	50 00	25 00	40 00	115 00
St. Mary, Elkton.....	20 00	10 00	16 00	46 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50	6 25	10 00	28 75
St. Michael's.....	8 00	4 00	11 00	23 00
New Market.....	8 00	4 00	7 00	19 00
St. Choptank.....	30 00	15 00	25 00	70 00
St. Paul's.....	5 00	2 50	4 00	11 50
St. Peter's.....	10 00	20 00	33 00	63 00
St. John's.....	1 00	50	8 00	9 50
St. Kent.....	20 00	10 00	30 00	60 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00	10 00	30 00	60 00
St. Andrew's.....	20 00	10 00	20 00	50 00
St. George's.....	10 00	5 00	8 00	23 00
St. John's, Q. A.....	15 00	7 50	12 00	34 50
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	10 00	5 00	8 00	23 00
St. James', Q. A.....	40 00	20 00	33 00	93 00
St. Andrew's.....	10 00	5 00	8 00	23 00
St. Michael's.....	10 00	20 00	33 00	63 00
St. John's.....	11 00	7 00	12 00	30 00
St. River.....	11 00	7 00	12 00	30 00
St. James'.....	11 00	7 00	12 00	30 00
St. Peter's.....	50 00	25 00	40 00	115 00
St. Andrew's.....	25 00	12 50	20 00	57 50
St. Mary's Cathedral.....	15 00	5 00	8 00	28 00
St. John's.....	18 00	9 00	15 00	42 00
St. Hill.....	12 00	6 00	8 00	26 00
St. Mary's.....	30 00	15 00	25 00	70 00
St. Andrew's.....	18 00	9 00	15 00	42 00
St. Peter's.....	15 00	7 50	12 00	34 50
St. John's.....	5 00	2 50	4 00	11 50
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	5 00	2 50	4 00	11 50

The Secretary has compiled this Table from the Report of the Committee on Parochial Assessments, and from a statement of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Church.

The Extra Assessment of fifty per cent. is on the authority of a resolution passed at the last Convention.

In addition to the above, the Committee on Parochial Assessments report the following arrearages:

East New Market.....	\$8 00
North Kent.....	5 00
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	5 00

A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

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I have been thinking much lately of the many ways in which we are called to live our lives. We are called to live in a world that is full of challenges and opportunities. We are called to live in a world that is full of love and compassion. We are called to live in a world that is full of hope and faith.

As we live our lives, we are called to be witnesses of the love of God. We are called to be witnesses of the grace of God. We are called to be witnesses of the power of God. We are called to be witnesses of the truth of God.

Let us live our lives in a way that is worthy of the love of God. Let us live our lives in a way that is worthy of the grace of God. Let us live our lives in a way that is worthy of the power of God. Let us live our lives in a way that is worthy of the truth of God.

With love and compassion,
Your pastor,
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PENNY C. HAYES

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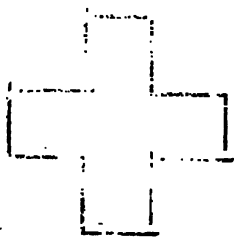
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1. The following are subject to a 10% surcharge:

The first group of people always been readiness to die, who issued the following appeal to the British soldiers to stop shooting at them. They had no weapons except their own hands and feet.

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1. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 1997; 277: 1033-1036.

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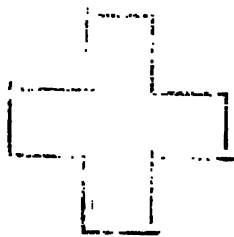
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MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN.

REV. LEWIS WADE, *Dean*.

Chesapeake City, Tuesday, October 31st; Chestertown, Tuesday, December 7th;
North-East, Tuesday, May 3rd.

MIDDLE

REV. THOS. P. BOBERG, D. D., *Dean*.

Easton, Tuesday, September 1st; Cambridge, Tuesday, November 2nd; East
New Market, Tuesday, April 1st.

SOUTHERN.

REV. T. W. HILLARD, *Dean*.

Salisbury, Tuesday, July 6th; Snow Hill, Tuesday, November 6th; Berlin,
Tuesday, April 9th.

GENERAL TREASURERS.

R. FIELDS CUTLER, 27 Bleecker House, New York.....Foreign Missions.
W. B. CUTLER, 27 Bleecker House, New York.....Domestic Missions.
WILLIAM ALVAREZ, 57 W. 4th St., New York.....General Clergy Relief.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT TREASURERS.

These officers are authorized to receive contributions for the same purposes may be made, and to receive the same for the use of the same, in the Post Office or at any other place holding a license, within the limits of their jurisdiction.

For the District of Columbia.....Foreign Clergy Convention.

For the District of Columbia.....Episcopal Fund.

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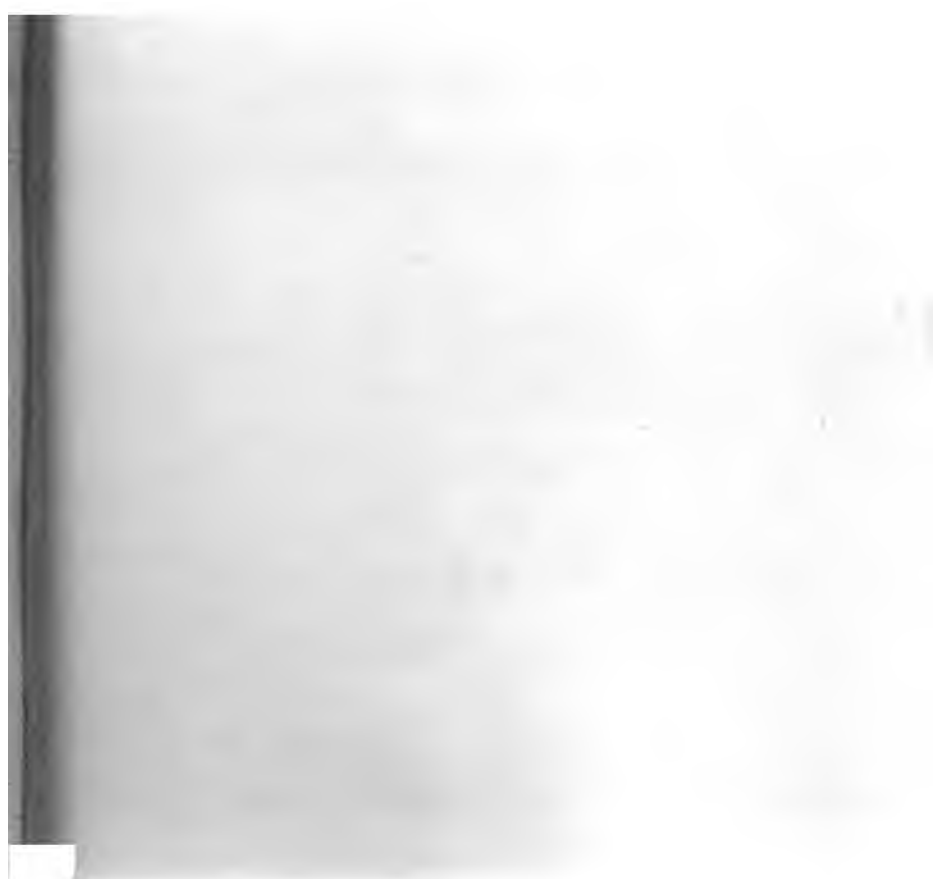
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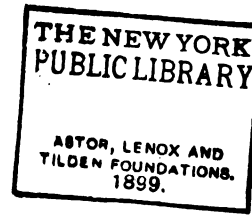
A collection of money for the Home for Friendless Children must be made by writing to the Executive Committee, Mr. George R. GODSBROOK, Jr., of the Baltimore Dispensary, Mr. John L. DAYTON, Easton, Talbot County, Md.

Receipts should state the name of the Parish, and directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Md."

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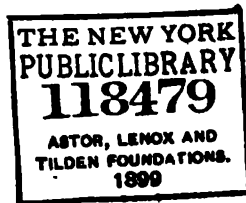
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LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 2, 1886.

***Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those marked with a * did not attend its sessions.

The Rev.	THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.....	Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
" "	GEORGE F. BEAVEN.....	Rector of St. John's Parish.
" "	JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.	
" "	*JOSEPH N. WATTSON.....	
" "	JOHN O. BARTON, D. D.....	Rector Emeritus of Somerset Parish.
" "	JAMES A. MITCHELL.....	Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
" "	JOHN MARTIN.....	Officiating in I. U. Parish.
" "	E. J. STEARNS, D. D.....	Examining Chaplain.
" "	STEPHEN C. ROBERTS.....	Rector of Chester Parish.
" "	LEWIS WALKER.....	Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
" "	E. K. MILLER.....	Rector of North Elk Parish.
" "	*PHILIP D. THOMPSON.....	Rector of Christ Church Parish.
" "	W. Y. BEAVEN.....	Rector of All Saints' Parish.
" "	W. WALLACE GREENE.....	Rector of Dorchester Parish.
" "	FRANCIS W. HILLIARD.....	Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
" "	ALBERT R. WALKER.....	Rector of Whitmarsh Parish.
" "	WILLIAM SCHOULER.....	Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.
" "	ALBERT WARE.....	Rector of Wye Parish.
" "	S. D. HALL.....	Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel.
" "	A. BATTE.....	Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
" "	FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, Rector of Spring Hill, Stepney and Wicomico Parishes.	
" "	HENRY WALL, D. D.....	Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co.
" "	R. HEBER MURPHY.....	Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
" "	OLIVER H. MURPHY.....	Rector of Coventry Parish.
" "	G. W. BOWNE.....	Rector of Salisbury Parish.
" "	*JOHN R. JOYNER.....	Rector of Worcester Parish.
" "	CHAS. E. BUCK.....	Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
" "	JOHN W. CHESLEY.....	Rector of Miles River Parish.
" "	J. PLEASANTON DUHAMEL, D. D.....	Rector of St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.
" "	WM. BRITTAIN.....	Rector of North Kent Parish.
" "	JACOB MILLER.....	Rector of St. James' Church.

In all, 30 Priests and 1 Deacon.

LIST OF CLERGY, WITH POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

1.	The Rev. F. B. ADKINS.....	Quantico, Wicomico Co., Md.
2.	" " THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D.....	Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
3.	" " A. BATTE.....	Snow Hill, Worcester Co., Md.
4.	" " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D.....	Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
5.	" " GEORGE F. BEAVEN.....	Hillsborough, Caroline Co., Md.
6.	" " W. Y. BEAVEN.....	Longwood, Talbot Co., Md.
7.	" " WM. BRITTAIN.....	Massey's, Kent Co., Md.
8.	" " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D.....	Cambridge, Dorchester Co., Md.
9.	" " GEO. W. BOWNE.....	Salisbury, Wicomico Co., Md.
10.	" " CHARLES E. BUCK.....	Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
11.	" " JOHN W. CHESLEY.....	Tunis Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
12.	" " J. PLEASANTON DUHAMEL, D. D.....	Church Hill, Q. A. Co., Md.
13.	" " W. WALLACE GREENE.....	Church Creek, Dorchester Co., Md.
14.	" " S. D. HALL.....	Denton, Caroline Co., Md.
15.	" " F. W. HILLIARD.....	Pocomoke City, Worcester Co., Md.
16.	" " JOHN R. JOYNER.....	Berlin, Worcester Co., Md.
17.	" " JOHN MARTIN.....	Kennedyville, Kent Co., Md.
18.	" " ENOCH K. MILLER.....	North East, Cecil Co., Md.
19.	" " JACOB MILLER.....	Port Deposit, Md.
20.	" " JAS. A. MITCHELL.....	Centreville, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
21.	" " OLIVER H. MURPHY.....	Upper Fairmount, Somerset Co., Md.
22.	" " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS.....	Chestertown, Kent Co., Md.
23.	" " WILLIAM SCHOULER.....	Elkton, Cecil Co., Md.
24.	" " EDWARD J. STEARNS, D. D.....	Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
25.	" " PHILIP D. THOMPSON.....	Kent Island, Queen Anne's Co., Md.
26.	" " LEWIS WALKE.....	Earleville, Cecil Co., Md.
27.	" " HENRY WALL, D. D.....	Fairlee, Kent Co., Md.
28.	" " ALBERT R. WALKER.....	Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
29.	" " A. WARE.....	Wye Mills, Talbot Co., Md.
30.	" " J. N. WATTSON.....	Kingston, N. Y.

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The Rev. HENRY B. MARTIN.....	Princess Anne, Somerset Co., Md.
" " ERNEST MCGILL.....	St. Michael's, Talbot Co., Md.

LIST

OF PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;

AND OF

LAY DELEGATES TO THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.	
Rev. Geo. F. Beaven, Rector.	P. S. Reynolds, M. D.
ST. MARY'S WHITE CHAPEL PARISH.	
Rev. S. D. Hall, Rector.	Charles Stevens.

CECIL COUNTY.

AUGUSTINE PARISH.	
Rev. William Schouler, Rector.	Benj. P. Hanson.
NORTH ELK PARISH.	
Rev. E. K. Miller, Rector.	Henry S. Coudon.
NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.	
Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector.	Sam'l E. Wills, M. D.
TRINITY PARISH.	
Rev. William Schouler, Rector.	R. C. Mackall, M. D.
ST. JAMES' CHURCH.	
Rev. Jacob Miller, Rector.	W. W. Hopkins.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

DORCHESTER PARISH.	
Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.	*Thos. K. Carroll, M. D.
EAST NEW MARKET PARISH.	
	Isaac H. Wright.
GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH.	
Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector.	Thos. H. Williams, M. D.
Rev. J. L. Bryan, M. D., Deacon, Asst. Minister.	D. M. Henry, Jr.
VIENNA PARISH.	
	Eugene Hodson, M. D.

KENT COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

CHESTER PARISH.

Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

William S. Walker.

L. U. PARISH.

Rev. John Martin, Rector.

Ed. W. Hepbron.

NORTH KENT PARISH.

Rev. Wm. Brittain, Rector.

C. H. B. Massey.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., Rector.

J. Chas. Wheatley.

SHREWSBURY PARISH.

Rev. R. Heber Murphy, Rector.

D. J. Nowland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

E. C. Legg.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Rev. J. P. DuHamel, D. D., Rector.

E. S. Valliant.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

John B. Brown.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.

Rev. A. Ware, Rector.

Chas. H. Tilghman.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.

Rev. O. H. Murphy, Rector.

Baldwin Hufty.

SOMERSET PARISH.

Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., Rector.

Wm. H. Gale, M. D.

WICOMICO PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

POCOMOKE PARISH.

Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.

Edgar W. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

*J. C. Adams.

ST. PETER'S PARISH.

Rev. Charles E. Buck, Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, OXFORD.

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* *Lay Delegates.*

WHITEMARSH PARISH.

Rev. Albert R. Walker, Rector.

Jos. B. Seth.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Henry E. Bateman.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.

George R. Goldsborough.

MILES RIVER PARISH.

Rev. John W. Chesley, Rector.

*D. C. Trimble.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.

SALISBURY PARISH.

Rev. G. W. Bowne, Rector.

I. S. Adams.

SPRING HILL PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

A. L. Jones.

STEPNEY PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

George D. Walter.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

ALL HALLOWS' PARISH.

Rev. A. Batte, Rector.

George W. Bishop, M. D.

WORCESTER PARISH.

Rev. John R. Joyner, Rector.

John R. Purnell.

ST. PAUL'S BY THE SEA.

J. A. Fields.

In all 38 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations represented at the Eighteenth Annual Convention by 33 Lay Delegates.

In attendance at the Eighteenth Annual Convention, Clergy 27, Lay Delegates

CHURCH EDIFICES,

WITH THE

DATES OF CONSECRATION AND RE-DEDICATION.

ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Paul's, Hillsborough, (W. R. W.) 1858.

Holy Trinity, Greensborough, (H. C. L.) 1875.

ST. MARY'S WHITECHAPEL.

Christ, Denton, (H. C. L.) 1874.

AUGUSTINE, CECIL COUNTY.

St. Augustine, (W. R. W.) 1842.

Church of the Good Shepherd, (H. C. L.) 1883.

NORTH ELK.

St. Mary's, North East, (W. R. W.) 1844.

St. Mark's, Perryville, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. John's in the Wilderness.

NORTH SASSAFRAS.

St. Stephen's, { Kemp, } 1824.
 { H. C. L. } 1874.

St. Stephen's, Cecilton, (H. C. L.) 1879.

TRINITY.

Trinity, Elkton, { Stone, } 1832.
 { Kerfoot, } 1867.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH.

St. James,' Port Deposit, (H. C. L.) 1882.

DORCHESTER, DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Trinity, Church Creek, (W. R. W.) 1853.

Grace, Taylor's Island, (H. C. L.) 1873.

EAST NEW MARKET.

St. Stephen's, (W. R. W.) 1850.

GREAT CHOPTANK.

Christ's, Cambridge.

St. John's, (Whitehouse,) 1853.

St. James', Maple Dam, (H. C. L.) 1881.

VIENNA.

St. Paul's, Vienna.

CHESTER, KENT COUNTY.

Emmanuel, Chestertown, (H. C. L.) 1882.

I. U.

Christ, (W. R. W.) 1860.

NORTH KENT.

St. Clement's, 1855, (H. C. L.) 1883.

Holy Cross, Millington, (H. C. L.) 1883.

ST. PAUL'S, KENT COUNTY.

St. Paul's, (W. R. W.) 1843.

SHREWSBURY.

Shrewsbury, { W. R. W. } 1840.
 { H. C. L. } 1880.

St. Andrew's, Galena, (H. C. L.) 1878.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ, Kent Island, (W. R. W.) 1841.

ST. LUKE'S.

St. Luke's, Church Hill, (colonial and restored,) (H. C. L.) 1881.

St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, (H. C. L.) 1880.

ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's, Centreville, { Stone, } 1835.
 { W. R. W. } 1855.

WYE, QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

St. Luke's, Queenstown, (W. R. W.) 1842.

St. Luke's, Wye, (W. R. W.) 1854.

COVENTRY, SOMERSET COUNTY.

St. Paul's, Annessex, (W. R. W.) 1848.

St. Mark's, Kingston, (W. R. W.) 1846.

St. Stephen's, Fairmount, (H. C. L.) 1884.

SOMERSET.

All Saints', Monie, { W. R. W. } 1845.
 { H. C. L. } 1881.

St. Andrew's, Princess Anne, (W. R. W.) 1845.

WICOMICO.

Grace, (W. R. W.) 1848.

POCOMOKE, SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, (W. R. W.) 1845.

St. Stephen's, Naswaddux, (H. C. L.) 1877.

ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ, St. Michael's, { Kemp, } 1814.
 { H. C. L. } 1883.

Holy Innocents, Claiborne.

St. Paul's, Royal Oak, (W. R. W.) 1859.

ST. PETER'S.

Christ, Easton, { (Clagett) 1803.
 { (W. R. W.) 1847.
 { (Restored) (H. C. L.) 1876.

WHITEMARSH.

St. Peter's, (Dilapidated.)
St. Paul's, Trappe, (H. C. L.) 1872.
Grace, Oxford.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

Trinity Chapel.
Holy Cross, Easton Point.

ALL SAINTS.

All Saints, (H. C. L.) 1873.

MILES RIVER.

St. John's, (Doane,) 1839.

ST. MATTHEW'S, WICOMICO COUNTY.

St. Matthew's, (W. R. W.) 1849.

SALISBURY.

St. Peter's, Salisbury.

SPRING HILL.

St. Peter's, Spring Hill.
St. Philip's, Quantico, (W. R. W.) 1845.

STEPNEY.

Stepney, (Dilapidated.)
St. Mary's, Tyaskin, (Doane,) 1839.

ALL HALLOWS', WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows', Snow Hill.
St. John's, Traptown, (W. R. W.) 1845.
Holy Cross, Sandy Hill, (W. R. W.) 1851.

WORCESTER.

St. Paul's, Berlin, (Kemp,) 1827.
St. Martin's, (W. R. W.) 1845.

See Journal of the Diocese of Easton, 1869, p. 72, for authority anterior to the organization of the Diocese.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
OF THE
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS.

The Rev. THEODORE P. BARBER, D. D.,
President.

The Rev. JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary, Centreville, Md.

WM. S. WALKER, Esq.,
Assistant Secretary, Chestertown, Md.

THOMAS HUGHLETT, Esq.,
Treasurer of the Convention.
Easton, Md.

I. L. ADKINS, M. D.,
Treasurer Diocesan Mission Fund.
Easton, Md.

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE,
Treasurer Clergy Relief Fund, Easton, Md.

The Rev. CHAS. E. BUCK,
Registrar of the Diocese, Easton, Md.

HON. JAMES A. PEARCE,
Chancellor of the Diocese, Chestertown, Md.

Standing Committee:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (President,) the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell,
(Secretary,) the Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the
Rev. A. R. Walker.

✓ *Ecclesiastical Court, (Elected 1886.)*

The Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. Wm. Schouler, the Rev. E. K.
Miller.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

The Bishop, *ex-officio*, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, George R.
Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, Wm. S. Walker, Edward Lloyd.

Board of Diocesan Missions:

The Bishop of the Diocese, (President,) the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Rev.
Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, Messrs. I. L. Adkins,
M. D., (Treasurer,) Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

The Board of Examiners in Theology:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D.

Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund:

The Bishop, (President, *ex-officio*,) Messrs. E. L. F. Hardcastle and John C. Earle, M. D.

Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese:

The Bishop, (Chairman, *ex-officio*,) Thomas Hughlett, (Treasurer, *ex-officio*,) Messrs. J. F. Bateman and I. L. Adkins, M. D.

Deputies to the General Convention:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the Rev. E. K. Miller, the Rev. Algernon Batte, and Messrs. Wm. S. Walker, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Geo. R. Goldsborough and R. C. Mackall, M. D.

NOTE.—Under provision of Canon XXV, On the Episcopal Fund: the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund met and divided into two classes as follows:—

I. L. Adkins, George R. Goldsborough and Wm. S. Walker, under the present Canon on Trustees of the Episcopal Fund were selected to serve one year, and E. L. F. Hardcastle, H. H. Dashiell, and Edward Lloyd were selected to serve two years.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine Service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the Chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair shall then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committees mentioned in the next rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair; one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergymen and four Laymen; one on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made; unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the Chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.
10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

11. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, without leave. If any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order. No member shall be interrupted while he is speaking in order.

12. Any member, who is speaking, shall take his seat when called to order by the President or any other member.

13. No member shall speak to another so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in debate.

14. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded, and, if desired by any member, reduced to writing and read by the Secretary.

15. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, before any motion, not privileged, shall be received.

16. Privileged motions, in the order of their precedence, shall be, to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to lay on the table, to amend, and to offer a substitute; the question on the first two to be taken without debate.

17. If a question contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

18. All questions of order shall be decided by the President; but there shall be a right of appeal to the Convention.

19. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the Session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

20. No question shall be taken on any Report, unless upon a motion to print or re-commit it; but Reports shall, as of course, lie upon the table. If a Committee deem any action of the Convention desirable, it shall be their duty to present in writing such Resolutions, Acts or Canons, as they may think it should adopt; which only shall be subject to the action of the Convention. Every act which divides a Parish, or in any way affects Parish boundaries, shall distinctly set out the new boundaries which it is intended to establish. The Convention will not act upon proposed Resolution, Act or Canon, which is not conformed to the provisions of this rule.

21. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise ordered; the votes of the Clergy and Laity shall be received and counted separately; but the vote shall be regarded as a joint one; and the election shall be decided by a majority of the whole number of votes taken together, unless a vote by orders shall have been required, agreeably to the fifth article of the Constitution.

22. It shall be the order of the day at 12 M., on the second day of the session of the Convention, to elect the Standing Committee, and the other officers whom it is the duty of the Convention to appoint.

23. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions until altered or rescinded; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, assembled in Trinity Church, Elkton, on Wednesday, the 2d day of June, A. D., 1886, at 10.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Hilliard, Bryan, Buck, Bowne and E. K. Miller. The Ante-Communion was read by the Rev. S. D. Hall, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., reading the Epistle, and the Rev. Lewis Walke, the Gospel. The Rev. Albert R. Walker, of Whitemarsh Parish, preached the Convention Sermon, from St. Matthew, 28: 7.

The Rector said the Offertory, and the Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rev. Dr. Barber, assisted by the Rev. James A. Mitchell and the Rev. S. C. Roberts.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., President of the Standing Committee, called the Convention to order, and the Secretary of the last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from the list furnished by the President of the Standing Committee. The following Clergymen answered to their names.

The Rev. F. B. Adkins.	The Rev. Samuel D. Hall.
" " Theo. P. Barber, D. D.	" " Francis W. Hilliard.
" " Algernon Batte.	" " John Martin.
" " John O. Barton, D. D.	" " Enoch K. Miller.
" " George F. Beaven,	" " James A. Mitchell.
" " W. Y. Beaven.	" " Oliver H. Murphy.
" " William Brittain.	" " R. Heber Murphy.
" " James L. Bryan, M. D.	" " Stephen C. Roberts.
" " George W. Bowne.	" " William Schouler.
" " Charles E. Buck.	" " Edward J. Stearns, D. D.
" " John W. Chesley.	" " Lewis Walke.
" " J. Pleasonton Du Hamel,	" " Albert R. Walker.
" " D. D.	" " Henry Wall, D. D.
" " W. Wallace Greene.	" " Albert Ware.—27.

The Secretary then called the roll of Lay Delegates from the certificates furnished by the parishes. The following answered to their names:

Hon. James A. Pearce.	John B. Brown.
P. S. Reynolds, M. D.	Charles H. Tilghman.
Charles Stevens.	Baldwin Hufty.
Benj. P. Hanson.	W. H. Gale, M. D.
Saml. E. Wills, M. D.	Edgar W. McMaster.
R. C. Mackall, M. D.	Isaac L. Adkins, M. D.
W. W. Hopkins.	Joseph B. Seth.
Isaac H. Wright.	Henry E. Bateman.
Thos. H. Williams, M. D.	George R. Goldsborough.
Danl. M. Henry, Jr.	Isaac S. Adams.
Eugene Hodson, M. D.	A. L. Jones.
Wm. S. Walker.	George D. Walter.
Ed. W. Hepbron.	George W. Bishop, M. D.
C. H. B. Massey, M. D.	John R. Purnell.
J. Charles Wheatley.	J. A. Fields.—31.
E. S. Valliant.	

The Rev. Jacob Miller, Rector of St. James' Church, Port Deposit, was present, but not entitled to a seat.

The Chair then announced a quorum of both orders present, and the Convention organized, and the first business in order, the election of a President.

The Rev. Mr. Adkins nominated the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D. On motion of the Rev. Mr. Roberts, it was resolved, that the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention. The ballot was cast for the Rev. Dr. Barber, who thereupon assumed the chair.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell was nominated for re-election as Secretary.

On motion, the ballot being dispensed with, the Rev. Mr. Mitchell was elected.

The President appointed Mr. W. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The President announced the following Committees:

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Bryan, Hall and Batte.

On Elections.—Messrs. Gale, Purnell and Hepbron.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, all visiting Clergymen and Candidates for Holy Orders, the Officers of the Diocese, and the Vestry of Trinity Parish, be and are hereby invited to seats, as honorary members of this Convention.

The Rev. F. C. Lee from the Diocese of Maryland, the Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough from the Diocese of New Jersey, and the Rev. Lewis Jackson from the Diocese of Delaware, were present.

The President announced the following Committees:

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. E. K. Miller, Messrs. Charles Tilghman, J. B. Brown and T. H. Williams.

On Accounts.—Messrs. H. E. Bateman, J. B. Seth and Edgar W. McMaster.

On Admission of New Parishes.—Rev. Messrs. Roberts and Greene, and Mr. Isaac S. Adams.

On Episcopal Fund.—Rev. Mr. Walker, and Messrs. R. C. Mackall and E. C. Legg.

On Canons.—The Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, and Hon. J. A. Pearce.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Hilliard, Schouler and Bowne, and Messrs. S. E. Wills, J. A. Fields and W. W. Hopkins.

On motion of Dr. R. C. Mackall, the Convention adjourned to meet at 4 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention assembled at 4 P. M. After a short prayer by the President, the Committee on the Right of Clergymen to seats, reported the following Clergy entitled to seats:

The Rev. F. B. Adkins.	The Rev. John W. Chesley.
“ “ Theo. P. Barber, D. D.	“ “ J. P. DuHamel, D. D.
“ “ A. Batte.	“ “ W. W. Greene.
“ “ John O. Barton, D. D.	“ “ S. D. Hall.
“ “ G. F. Beaven.	“ “ F. W. Hilliard.
“ “ W. Y. Beaven.	“ “ John R. Joyner.
“ “ William Brittain.	“ “ John Martin.
“ “ James L. Bryan, M. D.	“ “ E. K. Milier.
“ “ Geo. W. Bowne.	“ “ J. A. Mitchell.
“ “ Charles E. Buck.	“ “ O. H. Murphy.

The Rev. R. H. Murphy.
 " " S. C. Roberts.
 " " Wm. Schouler.
 " " E. J. Stearns, D. D.
 " " P. D. Thompson.

The Rev. Lewis Walke.
 " " A. R. Walker.
 " " Henry Wall, D. D.
 " " Albert Ware.

JAMES L. BRYAN,
 S. D. HALL,
 A. BATTE,
Committee.

The Secretary read the report of the Standing Committee.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton beg leave to report.

In presenting our report as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, the Committee are deeply impressed with the sadness, the solemnity and responsibility of the occasion.

Since last we assembled in Council, our Head has been taken away from us. The Diocese mourns. The Church throughout the land mourns. All hearts in this Convention mourn. Our great loss oppresses us as we meet to-day. We are in truth as sheep without a shepherd.

Startled, confused, anxious, we gaze upon the vacant chair which the venerable, the loved Father in God, Henry C. Lay, was accustomed to occupy.

May the great Head of the Church preside over our session !
 May God the Holy Spirit inspire and strengthen us !

Sometime previous to his death our late beloved Bishop, by writing dated 29th of August, 1885, in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church, constituted the Standing Committee the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Easton.

The committee at a meeting held immediately before the last Convention, having recommended Mr. George W. Lay and Mr. Lewis T. Wattson for the Sacred Order of Deacons, these gentlemen were ordained on Friday, the 5th day of June, 1885, in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, by the Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop.

of Delaware, acting for the Bishop of Easton. The Rev. Dr. Dashiell presented Mr. George W. Lay, and the Rev. Joseph N. Wattson, the father, presented Mr. Lewis T. Wattson.

September 29.—St. Michael's and All Angels—the Committee met at Trappe, in Whitemarsh Parish, and issued a call for a special Convention to be held in Christ Church, Easton, Wednesday, Nov. 18th, 1885; and, in accordance with a resolution passed at that Convention, in case of the non-acceptance of the Bishop-elect, the President of the Standing Committee called an adjourned meeting to be held in Cambridge, Dec. 16, 1885.

The Opening Service of the special Convention was a Memorial of our late beloved Diocesan, and the Memorial Sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Potter, D. D., Assistant Bishop of New York. The service was a very impressive one, and was attended by a large congregation, many parishes in the Diocese being represented by members other than the Clergy and Delegates to the Convention.

The Rev. Geo. W. Smith, D. D., the Bishop-elect, having declined the Bishopric, the adjourned meeting was held in Cambridge, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, the Opening Sermon being preached by the Rev. Francis W. Hilliard.

The Rev. Chauncey C. Williams, elected Bishop at this Convention, having declined the Bishopric, the Standing Committee secured for a visitation of the Churches in the Counties of Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset, the services of the Rt. Rev. Wm. Paret, D. D., Bishop of Maryland. Bishop Paret, also previously visited Christ Church, Easton, and Trinity Cathedral, Friday, March 9, 1886. And, for the Churches in the Counties of Queen Anne's and Kent, the services of the Rt. Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania. The reports of the visitation by these Bishops are herewith submitted.

The Committee also secured the services of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., to visit the Churches in Cecil County; and have secured the services of the Rt. Rev. George W. Peterkin, D. D., Bishop of West Virginia, to visit the Churches in Caroline and Dorchester Counties. Thus a visitation of nearly the whole Diocese was, by the kindness of these neighboring Bishops, with no little increase of their own labors, been accomplished. Only those

parishes have been omitted from the list where it was known there were no Candidates for Confirmation, or where the Rector has not asked in season to be provided for. The expenses of these visitations have been defrayed by the parishes visited.

The following Clergymen have been transferred by letters dismissory.

The Rev. Lewis T. Wattson, Deacon, to the Diocese of New York.

The Rev. Charles H. Vandyne, to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

The Rev. George S. Gassner, to the Diocese of Long Island.

The following Clergyman have been received by letters dismissory.

The Rev. Wm. Brittain from the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, who entered upon the Rectorship of North Kent Parish, Nov. 1st, 1885.

The Rev. Jacob Miller from the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, who entered upon the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Port Deposit, April 5th, 1886.

January 20th, 1886. Mr. Wm. DuHamel was received as a postulant for Holy Orders.

March 19th, 1885. A Lay-reader's license was issued to Mr. S. W. Whitman to read in Trinity Cathedral, Easton.

April 26th, 1886. A Lay-reader's license was issued to Mr. D. Stewart Hessey to read in Great Choptank Parish.

Tuesday, June 1st, 1886. The Committee gave consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Edwin Gardner Weed, Bishop-elect of Florida.

The Diocese has lost heavily since the last Annual Convention by death.

On Friday, September 17, 1885, our beloved Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., LL. D., after a lingering illness, died at the Church Home in Baltimore. His funeral was held the following Monday, September 20th, in Easton, attended by the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of Delaware, and the Rt. Rev. Wm. Paret, D. D., Bishop of Maryland, by several visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and by almost all his own Clergy and many persons from adjoining parishes. The body rested in Trinity Cathedral, thence was taken to Christ Church, where the services were held, and interred in Spring Hill Cemetery. We ask to present for record the following minute:

1. *Resolved*, That on this their first meeting after the burial of our late beloved Bishop, the Standing Committee desire to place on record their deep sense of

the invaluable services of the first Bishop of Easton, in laying broad and deep the foundations of the new Diocese.

2. *Resolved*, That they thank GOD for the blessed example of the devout, godly life, the earnest zeal, wisdom and patience, which characterized the entire administration of our Chief Pastor.

3. We recognize with no less thankfulness the prominent and useful part our Bishop took in all the general legislation of the Church; as in the adoption of the new Hymnal, in the commission for the Enrichment of the Prayer Book, and, to his special honor, the active and efficient labor he bestowed in behalf of the corporation for the relief of widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen; in these departments, as well as in the missions of the Church, his zeal was most ardent and fruitful.

4. *Resolved*, That we hold in grateful remembrance the great and precious influences of those devout and practical writings of our late Bishop, so widely circulated and universally esteemed.

5. That we tender our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family, and pray GOD, that this sore affliction to them and the mourning Diocese may be blessed, by the strengthening, consoling power of GOD the Holy Ghost.

In April died the Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Parish, and member of the Standing Committee. He was buried from Christ Church, St. Michael's, by the Rev. Dr. Barber; the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, the Rev. Chas. E. Buck, the Rev. J. W. Chesley, the Rev. Geo. S. Gassner, the Rev. Alfred Ware and the Rev. G. F. Beaven being the attending Clergymen. The interment was in Spring Hill Cemetery, Easton.

The following minute we beg leave to place on record.

A Minute adopted at a meeting of the Standing Committee, held in Elkton, on June 1st, 1886.

WHEREAS, Since our last meeting, it has pleased the All-wise Father to summon unto rest and peace the soul of our beloved brother, the Rev. Erastus F. Dashiell, D. D., we, his bereaved associates in this board, desire to place on record our high estimate of his personal character, and our appreciation of his eminent usefulness in the Church of Christ, and especially in this Diocese.

I. The personal traits of our dear associate were strongly marked, and readily discerned, they were easily "known and read of all men." Our brother in truth, lived apart from the world, and above the world, in the unselfishness and deep spirituality of his life. And yet there was a wonderful force and boldness, and unyielding persistence in asserting his honest convictions in the face of all men. *Earnestness* was conspicuous in each word and deed.

II. In his official life our brother proved himself a faithful Priest of the Lord to the end. Ordained a Deacon in 1849, the first Parish was Christ Church, Calvert County.

In 1856, there came an invitation from St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's County; in which, during a ministry of ten years, our friend steadily advanced in prominence and influence. But it was during his incumbency of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot County, that the abundant fruits of our brother's ministry appeared. The one Parish developed into three flourishing organizations with a faithful Rector in charge of each. And the new St. Michael's Church, recently consecrated—so beautiful and commodious, so stately and impressive, will remain for many generations the monument of Dr. Dashiell's worth and labors.

III. In the organization of the new Diocese, our brother rendered active, efficient service. And during the administration of our first Bishop, Dr. Dashiell was foremost in upholding his hands, and cheering his heart in that wisely planned system for the growth and extension of the Church, which our late Father in God originated.

IV. As a member of this board, and of the Middle Convocation, as representative of our Diocese in the General Convention, as the trusted counsellor and friend of the late Bishop, our brother ministered with singular fidelity and wisdom, to the glory of God and the welfare of His Church.

May we have grace to follow in his footsteps, and partake his bright reward.

On motion *Resolved*, That the Secretary be requested to report this minute to the Convention of the Diocese, and forward a copy to the family of our deceased brother.

On Saturday, May 15th, 1886, died Rev. Thos. L. Green. Our Reverend Brother had not been actively engaged in ministerial duties for years, but resided on his farm near Church Hill. Once Rector of St. Luke's, Queen Anne's, in the days of that Parish's feebleness, he freely gave his services, and helped out of his means to provide for the necessities of the Church. The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Dr. DuHamel, Rector of the Parish, assisted by the Rev. S. C. Roberts and the Rev. James A. Mitchell. His remains were interred in St. Luke's burial ground just back of the Chancel of the Church.

REPORT OF BISHOP LEE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.

President of Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton.

Rev. and Dear Sir:

I append herewith a report of Episcopal Acts performed by me in the Diocese of Easton, since the adjournment of the Convention of the same in June, 1885.

Very sincerely yours,

ALFRED LEE, *Bishop of Delaware.*

WILMINGTON, DEL., May 28, 1886.

ORDINATIONS:

June 5, 1885, in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, at the request of the Rt. Rev. H. C. Lay, D. D., late Bishop of the Diocese, I admitted to the Order of Deacons George W. Lay and Lewis T. Wattson.

CONFIRMATIONS.

June 5, 1885, in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, by request of Bishop	
Lay.	3 persons.
By your request as President of the Standing Committee, I confirmed:	
May 25, in St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	9 "
May 25, in St. Mark's Chapel, Perryville.....	3 "
May 26, in St. Mary's Church, North East.....	12 "
May 27, in Chesapeake City.....	2 "
May 27, in Cecilton for North Sassafras Parish.....	10 "
In all.....	39 "

REPORT OF BISHOP PARET.

APRIL 19th, 1886.

To the REV. DR. BARBER,

President of Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton.

I have to report, that by your authority and request, I visited Churches in your Diocese as follows :

March 19, Christ Church, Easton, Confirmed.....	14
" " Cathedral Chapel, Easton, Confirmed.....	19 and 1 in private.
April 5, St. Paul's, Berlin, Confirmed.....	1
" 6, All Hallows', Snow Hill, Confirmed.....	11
" 7, Holy Cross, Stockton, Confirmed.....	7
" 7, St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, Confirmed.....	4
" 8, St. Mark's, Kingston, administered the Holy Communion and Confirmed.....	2
" 8, St. Stephen's, Upper Fairmount, Confirmed.....	2
" 9, St. Philip's, Quantico, Confirmed.....	7
" 9, St. Peter's, Salisbury, Confirmed.....	9
making in all 77 persons Confirmed by me in the Diocese of Easton.	

REPORT OF BISHOP RULISON.

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton.

Gentlemen :

At the request of the President of your Committee, I made, during Holy Week, the following named visitations, in the Diocese of Easton, viz :

April 20.—Saint Luke's, Queenstown, Wye Parish. Preached, Confirmed six persons, addressed them, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

April 20.—St. Paul's, Centreville. Preached, Confirmed seven (7) persons and addressed them.

April 21.—Saint Luke's, Church Hill, St. Luke's Parish. Preached, Confirmed twenty (20) persons and addressed them.

Emmanuel, Chestertown, Chester Parish. Preached, Confirmed twelve (12) persons and addressed them.

April 22.—I. U. Parish, Christ Church. Preached, Confirmed seven (7) persons and addressed them.

April 22.—Shrewsbury Church, Shrewsbury Parish. Preached, no confirmations.

April 22.—Galena, St. Andrews' Chapel, evening. Preached, Confirmed four (4) persons and addressed them.

Good Friday, April 23.—St. Clement's, Massey's, North Kent Parish. Preached, no confirmations.

Very faithfully yours,

N. S. RULISON,

Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

We are able to report therefore the following summary:

Clergymen removed from the Diocese.....	3
" " into the Diocese.....	2
The Rev. Henry B. Martin is Rector-elect of Somerset Parish, making in all 3 received into the Diocese.	
Clergymen died, the Bishop and two priests.....	3
Candidates for Holy Orders.....	1
Postulant.....	1
License to lay readers.....	2
Confirmed by Bishop Lee.....	39
" " " Paret.....	77
" " " Rulison.....	56
Total Confirmed.....	172

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THEO. P. BARBER,
JOHN O. BARTON,
JAMES A. MITCHELL,
STEPHEN C. ROBERTS,

Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Roberts, it was

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, be tendered to the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., Bishop of Delaware, Rt. Rev. William Paret, D. D., Bishop of Maryland, and Rt. Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Central Pennsylvania for their kind consideration in performing Episcopal duties in this Diocese, and also to the Rt. Rev. Geo. V. Peterkin, D. D., who has kindly consented to fill appointments, in the counties not yet visited.

Dr. Gale, from the Committee on Elections, reported the following lay delegates entitled to seats.

The Committee on Elections beg leave to make the following report:

<i>Parish.</i>	<i>County.</i>	<i>Lay Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
St. John's Parish.....	Caroline.....	T. S. Reynolds.....	Jno. W. Ernst.
St. Mary's Whitehapel...	".....	Chas. Stevens.....	R. G. Steuart.
Augustine.....	Cecil.....	Benj. P. Hanson.....	Wm. T. Price.
North Elk.....	".....	Henry S. Coudon.....	S. T. Chamberlaine.
North Sassafras.....	".....	Saml. E. Wills.....	David P. Davis.
Trinity Parish.....	".....	R. C. Mackall.....	Jno. S. Wirt.
St. James' Church.....	".....	W. W. Hopkins.....	Jas. A. B. Martin.
Dorchester.....	Dorchester.....	Thos. K. Carroll.....	R. S. Spilman.
East New Market.....	".....	Isaac H. Wright.	
Great Choptank.....	".....	Thos. H. Williams.....	Wm. H. Barton,
		Daniel M. Henry, Jr.....	G. W. Mundy.
Vienna.....	".....	Eugene Hodson.	
Chester.....	Kent.....	Wm. S. Walker.....	W. Frank Hines.
I. U.....	".....	Edward W. Hefbron.....	Jno. F. Beeks.
North Kent.....	".....	C. H. B. Massey.....	L. M. Bean.
St. Paul's.....	".....	J. Chas. Wheatley.....	George Bell.
Shrewsbury.....	".....	F. Hyland Taylor.....	Dennis J. Nowland.
Christ Church.....	Queen Anne's.....	E. C. Legg.	
St. Luke's.....	".....	E. S. Valliant.....	Joseph E. George.
St. Paul's.....	".....	Jno. B. Brown.....	Wm. McKenney.
Wye.....	Queen Anne's and Talbot.....	Charles Tilghman.	
Coventry.....	Somerset.....	F. J. Davy.....	Col. Baldwin Hufty.
Somerset.....	".....	Wm. H. Gale.....	Omar A. Jones.
Wicomico.....	".....	No Certificate.	
Pocomoke.....	Somerset and Worcester.....	C. C. Lloyd.....	E. W. McMaster.
St. Michael's.....	Talbot.....	John C. Adams.....	H. K. George.
St. Peter's.....	".....	I. L. Adkins.	
Whitemarsh.....	".....	Joseph B. Seth.....	Jno. W. Martin.
Trinity Cathedral.....	".....	Col. H. E. Bateman.....	J. K. Robson.
All Saints'.....	".....	Geo. R. Goldsborough.....	Thos. Hopkins.
Miles River.....	".....	David C. Trimble.....	Thos. H. Oliver.
Salisbury.....	Wicomico.....	I. S. Adams.....	Z. P. Humphreys
Spring Hill.....	".....	Albert L. Jones.	
Stepney.....	".....	John W. Willing.....	George D. Walter.
All Hallows'.....	Worcester.....	Geo. W. Bishop.....	E. S. Dashiell.
Worcester.....	".....	John R. Purnell.	
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	".....	J. Aug. Fields.	
Chancellor.....	".....	James A. Pearce.	

WM. H. GALE.

JOHN R. PURNELL,

E. W. HEPBRON,

Committee.

Mr. D. J. Nowland, not present at the morning session, appeared and took his seat.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, the report of the Board of Diocesan Missions was made the order of the day immediately on the re-assembling of Convention this evening.

On motion of Dr. Adkins, the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund was made the order of the day upon the assembling of Convention to-morrow.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, the report of the Committee on the Prayer Book was made the order of the day immediately after the reading of the report of the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Walker, that part of the report of the Standing Committee relating to Deceased Clergymen, was referred to a Special Committee.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Walker, W. Y. Beaven and E. K. Miller, and Messrs. J. A. Pearce, G. R. Goldsborough and J. A. Fields.

The Rev. Mr. Walker moved, that we now proceed to the election of a Bishop, without nominations or remarks. Adopted.

The President appointed as tellers for the clerical votes, the Rev. Messrs. Bowne and Buck; and for the lay vote, Messrs. Seth and Brown.

After silent prayer, and several Collects by the President, the Convention proceeded to the election.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and Lay Delegates, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The tellers returned and announced the result of the first ballot:

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 26. Necessary to a choice 14.

Lay vote, " " " 33. " " " 17.

	Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D. D.,	11	20
" A. B. Baker,	9	8
" A. J. Rich,	1	...
" Cyrus F. Knight, D. D., D. C.,	3	3
" Leighton Coleman, D. D.,	1	1
" Campbell Fair, D. D.,	1	...
" J. L. Nicholson, D. D.,	1	1

There being no election, the Convention proceeded to a second ballot. The Secretary called the roll, and the tellers retired.

The following telegram was received from the Convention of the Diocese of West Virginia.

CHARLESTOWN, W. VA., June 2nd, 1886.

Convention P. E. Church, Diocese of Easton.

The Diocese of West Virginia assembled in council of Charlestown sends fraternal greetings to the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, now assembled at Elkton. 2 Thess. 3: 16.

COBBS, Secretary.

The tellers returned and reported the result of the second ballot.

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 26. Necessary to a choice 14.		
Lay vote.	“ “ “ 33.	“ “ “ 17.
		Clerical. Lay.
The Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D. D.....		19 22
“ A. B. Baker.....		5 10
“ Cyrus F. Knight, D. D., D. C. L.....		1 1
“ Campbell Fair, D. D.....		1 ...

The President thereupon announced that the Rev. Kinloch Nelson, D. D., having received a majority of the votes of the Clergy and a majority of the votes of the Laity, was duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, the election was made unanimous.

On motion of Dr. R. C. Mackall, the Secretary was requested to send a telegram of greeting in return to the Diocese of West Virginia, and announce the election of the Rev. Dr. Nelson.

On motion of Dr. Mackall, it was resolved to send a Committee of two, one Clergyman and one Layman, to wait on the Rev. Dr. Nelson, and announce his election to the Bishopric of Easton.

The President appointed the Rev. Chas. E. Buck and Mr. J. B. Brown.

The Secretary read the report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund. (See Appendix.)

On motion the report was referred to the Committee on Accounts.

On motion the Convention adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention met at 7.30 P. M. Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. W. W. Greene, and R. Lloyd Goldsborough.

The President called the Convention to order.

The report of the Board of Diocesan Missions, being the order of the day, was read by the Rev. Dr. Barber.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Under the peculiar difficulties of the last twelve months the Board can but regard the report of our faithful Treasurer, herewith presented, as a satisfactory and hopeful one.

Let it be observed that we began the year with a deficit of \$73.29. Observe, further, that under the Providence of GOD, two of our most prominent Parishes have been vacant for many months. And, yet again, through the entire year, we have been deprived of the aid of the beloved Bishop—always so attentive and urgent to remind the Rectors in frequent intercourse—always appropriating the offerings, at each visitation, to our fund.

How vital to the welfare of the Diocese, our dear Father regarded the work now before us, may be gathered from his last communication to this body. O that to us, dear brethren, might be given grace to appreciate the force of this final appeal, this dying admonition, if we may so speak—of our Chief Pastor—to whose heart the claim we advocate to-day, was especially dear. The Bishop said in his address of last year "I trust the Missions of the Diocese will not fail to receive at your hands the most heedful consideration. Without this agency we have no means of increasing the area of our usefulness. I am the more concerned at the deficiency, because it is partly due to the failure of my usual visitations and the loss of the offerings made at such times. We need two thousand dollars next year. The only difficulty in securing this sum is in the lack of interest *on the part of a few*. In a Diocese so small and weak as ours, it needs only indifference or negligence on the part of a small minority to defeat the best devised plans for the common welfare."

O that these words of wisdom might penetrate all our hearts!

Immediately upon the adjournment of the last Convention a full meeting of the board was convened. There was a careful review of the appropriations, and a close scrutiny into the actual resources, needs and promise of each Mission. In many instances it was found that a considerable reduction could be made. And several new applications were granted. The changes thus made will appear by the Treasurer's report.

By this statement it is found that the total amount disbursed by the Treasurer for stipends, &c. is, \$1,739.96.

At this meeting of the board it was also decided, that, in future assignments, the Mission Parishes should be separated into four classes, receiving, severally \$200, \$150, \$100, \$50.

And the Committee beg leave, now, to express the earnest hope and reasonable expectation that of those Parishes which, for so many years, and in so large amounts, have received help, a few, at least, will decline further aid. And others can surely bear a considerable reduction.

Another deliberate conclusion of the Committee should be declared :

It is obvious that, in every appropriation made, the board should be informed what amount the Parish aided is willing to pledge, in its own behalf to the minister's support.

Thus : if a Parish asks for \$200 per annum, a formal pledge should be forwarded to the Secretary, stipulating that \$300 will be paid also from the congregation assisted.

It was a frequent remark of our late Bishop, while presiding at our meetings, that the Missionary Committee should be carefully guided by the sound maxim of " helping those who tried to help themselves." The justice and reasonableness of this remark need no vindication.

In conclusion, your Committee propose the two following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, This Convention fully appreciates the necessity of furnishing to the Board of Missions a definite amount, as the basis of their appropriations ; and hereby names \$1,800 as the sum to be collected in the year ensuing.
2. *Resolved*, That the list of Parishes be now called in open session, and that the pledges be printed on the last page of the Journal.

THEO. P. BARBER,
LEWIS WALKE,
F. W. HILLIARD.

Committee.

Dr. Adkins then read the report of the Treasurer of Diocesan Missions. (See Appendix.)

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, the first resolution offered by the Committee was adopted.

The second resolution was then adopted, and the Secretary called the roll of parishes, and the following pledges were obtained. (See Appendix.)

Rev. A. R. Walker moved that the deficiency in the appropriations for the year be immediately made up. The motion was amended by Mr. J. B. Seth, that the laymen from the parishes proceed to pay the deficiency. The motion as amended was adopted ; and the following amounts were paid to the Treasurer of Diocesan Missions. (See Appendix.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. DuHamel, it was

Resolved, That it be the order of the Convention that hereafter the Secretary send the blanks for Lay Delegates to the Registrars of the several Parishes, and also Journals of the Convention when published.

On motion the Convention adjourned.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, 7 A. M.

This being the Festival of the Ascension, the Holy Communion was celebrated by the President of the Convention and the Rector at 7 A. M.

The Convention assembled at 9 A. M.—Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. DuHamel, the Rev. F. B. Adkins, the Rev. R. Heber Murphy, and the President of the Convention.

The President called the Convention to order. The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and Lay Delegates. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Dr. I. L. Adkins read the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Canon on Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, the Convention proceeded to sign the testimonials of the Bishop-elect.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, from the Committee on Deceased Clergymen, presented the following report:

The Committee to which was referred that part of the Report of the Standing Committee relating to Deceased Clergymen, beg leave to add a few words to what they have so well said.

For the second time we are called to mourn the loss which death has made in the ranks of the Clergy of the Diocese, and this time it is a chief and great man in Israel who has fallen, and with him he who stood to him as his right hand.

Words cannot express the great loss we have sustained, how poor we have thus become, and yet, may we reverently say it, Paradise is richer by having two more such sainted souls.

But all is not lost, we still have, and may we ever keep fresh in memory, their pure example, their nobility of character, their singular unselfishness, and their lowly mindedness.

Whenever the names of Bishop Lay and Dr. Dashiell are mentioned, and our children shall ask who they were, may the story of their lives be handed on, and thus they shall still speak, though dead, through their works.

The one ruled his flock in the Diocese, prudently and with a faithful and true heart, for seventeen years; the other with equal prudence and faithfulness, cared for his flocks, in different Parishes, 30 years, and at the same time loving the Diocese, working for the Diocese, and dying for the Diocese.

They "were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided."

So they lie in the Cemetery at Easton, as nearly as possible in the same grave, the Priest resting immediately at the feet of his Father in GOD, awaiting the fullness of the resurrection reunion in CHRIST.

And of the other Priest, the Rev. Thomas Green, who, in the fullness of years was the last to be called away, it may be said, that having seen the Church on the Eastern Shore at a time when her candlestick had almost been removed from its place, he could thank GOD that he had been spared to see the day when the Church had been revived and brought to her present state of prosperity.

And the words of the aged Simeon must occur to us all as the most fitting in his case, "LORD, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, according to Thy Word; for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation."

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES A. FIELDS,	E. K. MILLER,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,	W. Y. BEAVEN,
A. R. WALKER,	JAMES W. PEARCE,
	<i>Committee.</i>

On motion of Mr. J. B. Seth, the Secretary was requested to insert in the Journal, a Memorial Page to the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Lay, D. D., L. L. D.; to the Rev. E. F. Dashiell, D. D., and to the Rev. Thos. L. Green.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard presented certain resolutions in regard to the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The hour for the Order of the Day, 12 M., having arrived, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, and other Officers.

The President appointed as tellers, the Rev. Messrs. Batte and Adkins, and Messrs. Pearce and Seth.

The Rev. Dr. Barton nominated the Rev. F. W. Hilliard.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard nominated the Rev. W. Y. Beaven.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven nominated the following:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the Rev. A. R. Walker, the Rev. J. A. Mitchell, the Rev. S. C. Roberts.

The tellers retired.

On motion of Rev. J. L. Bryan, the Secretary of the Convention was authorized to cast the vote of the Convention for the following officers:

Treasurer.—Mr. Thomas Hughlett.

Board of Diocesan Missions.—The Bishop and Deans *ex officio*; Messrs. I. L. Adkins, M. D., and J. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

The Rev. Dr. Barber declined re-election as Registrar, and nominated the Rev. Charles E. Buck.

The Secretary was thereupon authorized to cast the vote of the Convention, and the Rev. Mr. Buck was elected Registrar of the Diocese.

Dr. R. C. Mackall offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That Article XI of the Constitution be amended so as to read, *three* of whom shall be chosen among the order of Priests and two from the Laity.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bryan, the resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons to report to the next Convention.

The tellers returned and reported the following as elected members of the Standing Committee :

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D.,
The Rev. James A. Mitchell,
The Rev. Stephen C. Roberts,
The Rev. Albert R. Walker,
The Rev. F. W. Hilliard.

The Election of Deputies to the General Convention being next in order, the Rev. Dr. Barton nominated the Rev. F. W. Hilliard.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven nominated the following :

The Rev. Dr. Barber,	Messrs. I. L. Adkins,
The Rev. F. B. Adkins,	W. S. Walker,
The Rev. E. K. Miller,	George R. Goldsborough,
The Rev. F. W. Hilliard,	Levin Woolford.

The Rev. O. H. Murphy nominated the Rev. E. K. Miller.

Dr. W. H. Gale nominated the Rev. A. Batte.

Mr. Charles Stevens nominated the Rev. Dr. Stearns.

The Rev. R. Heber Murphy nominated Dr. R. C. Mackall.

Dr. Thos. H. Williams nominated Mr. J. B. Seth.

Dr. R. C. Mackall nominated the Rev. Wm. Schouler.

The Rev. A. Ware nominated the Rev. Messrs. Roberts and Mitchell.

Dr. Adkins nominated Mr. J. A. Pearce.

Mr. Seth nominated the Rev. A. R. Walker.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts and Messrs. Pearce and Seth withdrew their names.

The Convention proceeded to ballot, and the tellers retired.

Dr. Mackall moved the reconsideration of the vote referring the proposed Amendment of the Constitution to the Committee on Canons.

The reconsideration was lost; a division being called for, 18 voted for, and 23 against.

The Rev. Mr. Walker from the Committee on the Episcopal Fund, presented the following report:

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund, to which have been referred the reports of the Trustees and Treasurer of said Fund, beg to report that they have received from the Treasurer for account of present Convention year.....\$146 00

They have also received from representatives of Parishes during the Session of the Convention..... 197 20

Total.....\$343 20

It is to be regretted that all the assessments have not been paid. But it has been doubtless due in great measure to the impression in some cases, that in the absence of a Bishop they would not be expected. In other cases vacancies in the Rectorships have led to neglect of this important matter. In nearly every case, however, we have received assurances that the amounts will be soon collected, and remitted to the Treasurer. For this reason we do not report a list of delinquents.

Certainly one and all must find gratification in the most satisfactory reports of the Trustees and Treasurer, and those whose non-payment of their assessments introduces the only note of discouragement, have every incentive to collect and remit their dues at the earliest date.

In considering the reports submitted to us by the Trustees and Treasurer, your Committee feel the greatest pleasure, in which gratitude to God mingles with thanks to those faithful and efficient custodians of this fund. Not to go into details, we would respectfully endorse their action in gradually concentrating the investments in safe and conservative mortgages.

It is peculiarly gratifying to note the fact that just as we are on eve of securing, (as we trust in God,) a Bishop for our Diocese, we find that we have the fund nearly equal to the payment of the salary. Not, however, wishing to run any risk of a possible deficiency in the future, we think it best to continue the assessment of \$500, to be divided between the Parishes as heretofore. The deficiencies of the present Convention being paid, and those for the next being promptly met, it will very probably be the case, that the assessments can then be materially reduced, if not entirely removed.

Your Committee submit the following resolutions:

1. That the assessment of \$500 be continued, and the list, (without deficiencies,) be published in the Journal as heretofore.

The Rev. S. C. Roberts moved that when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn subject to the call of the President. Adopted.

The tellers returned and reported as elected clerical deputy to the General Convention, the Rev. Algernon Batte.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard then called up the Resolutions of the Committee on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, the Church owes a debt of gratitude, by no means small, to the Committee, which prepared and presented to the General Convention of 1883, the volume known as the Book Annexed.

Resolved, That the action of that Convention, in sending down to the several Dioceses, with certain modifications, the alterations from the Standard Prayer Book contained in the said Book Annexed, should be regarded as, at least in some degree, a favorable testimony to these alterations, not lightly to be set aside.

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention; each particular subdivision of the proposed alterations stands on its own merits, having been by itself duly sent down from the last General Convention, and must be, by the General Convention of 1886, either adopted or rejected without amendment.

Resolved, That this Convention deprecates any action on the subject of the Prayer Book at the next General Convention, other than the adoption or rejection of the several alterations sent down by the General Convention of 1883.

Resolved, That the Deputies from this Diocese be requested to present the above resolutions to the next General Convention.

The first resolution being put to vote was adopted.

The second resolution was then adopted.

The third resolution was adopted.

The fourth resolution, after some debate, on division, was adopted.

The fifth resolution was then adopted.

On motion of Dr. R. C. Mackall, the Treasurer of the Convention was authorized to pay the expenses of the Committee who waited on the Bishop-elect.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, the report of the Committee on the Episcopal Residence was made the order of the day immediately after Evening Prayer.

Mr. J. A. Pearce from the Committee on Canons presented the following report—the resolutions of the Committee were adopted.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred the question whether Canon XXV relating to the Episcopal Fund had been enacted in due form, and is correctly printed in the Journal, beg leave to report:

Resolved, That the Rectors of the several Parishes be requested upon publication of the Journal, to read the report of the Trustees to their respective congregations, as among the most encouraging and convincing proofs of the substantial growth of the Diocese.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at 4 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention met at 4 P. M.—The President opened the proceedings with Prayer. The President then stated that there was yet one clerical deputy to be elected to the General Convention.

The same tellers were appointed, but Mr. Pearce being absent, the President named Mr. E. C. Legg to serve in his place. The Secretary called the roll, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The Secretary read a communication from the Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions:—A minute on the death of the late Bishop of Easton.

The communication was received standing, and on motion, was ordered to be spread on the Journal. (See Appendix.)

The tellers appeared and reported that there was no election, and the Convention proceeded to another ballot. The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and Laity, and the tellers retired.

The Rev. E. K. Miller from the Committee on Parochial Assessments read the report of that Committee:

The Committee on Parochial Assessments beg leave to report that they have received the following amounts on account of Assessment for the year 1886.

	<i>Convention Fund.</i>	<i>Extra. Assessment.</i>
St. John's, Caroline.....	\$ 5 00	.....
Saint Mary's, Whitechapel [on account].....	5 00	.....
St. Mary Anne's.....	15 00	7 50
North Sassafra.....	50 00	25 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	20 00	10 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50	6 25
Dorchester.....	8 00	4 00
East New Market.....	8 00	4 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00	15 00
Vienna.....	5 00	2 50
Chester.....	40 00	20 00
I. U.....	1 00	50
Amount carried forward.....	\$ 199 00	\$94 75

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE AND LIBRARY ROOM ACCOUNT.

1886.

June 1st. Cash receipts and interest.....	\$1,786 78
Notes bearing interest, about.....	1,300 00
Less expenses for collecting, &c.....	101 73

The President, by the request of the Convention, added to the Committee on Episcopal Residence and Library Room, the name of Mr. George R. Goldsborough.

On motion of Dr. I. L. Adkins, the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Episcopal Residence be authorized to secure site, devise plans, make contracts and procure subscriptions for the same, and to construct the building as speedily as possible at a cost not to exceed \$10,000; and meantime to procure a temporary residence for the occupancy of the Bishop.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard, from the Committee on the State of the Church, read their report:

Your Committee on the State of the Church beg leave respectfully to report that they have carefully examined and tabulated the Parochial Reports submitted to them, 31 in number, that they find the work of the past year as indicated by statistics to be as follows: Baptisms, 401. Confirmations, 159. Communicants added, 187. Sums contributed to General Objects, \$400.64. Diocesan Objects, \$4,267.75. Parochial Objects, \$27,801.83.

MATERIAL IMPROVEMENTS.

Shrewsbury Parish—Church yard improved. Christ Church, Queen Anne's—Trust farms improving in value and condition, Rectory painted, Church yard fenced, Church painted, no incumbrance, Church ready for consecration.—Pocomoke Parish.—Church painted and carpeted, Beautiful Altar Cross, Candlesticks and Vases, Enlargement of Chancel begun. Salisbury.—Parish School about to be established, Memorial Cross on Altar for Bishop Lay. Wicomico Parish. Church improved, Memorial Cross and Candlestick for Bishop Lay. Stepeny Parish. Green Hill Church partially restored, and used for services, Opened August 20, 1000 persons present. I. U. Parish.—Church improved, Altar cloth presented. St. Peter's, Talbot.—Old Church used for services, Pavement in front, Rectory improved. All Hallows', Snow Hill.—Bequest received \$400, Rectory improved and about to be enlarged. St. Mary's Whitechapel.—Two Gables, New Chapel to be erected. St. John's, Caroline.—Brass Memorial cross in St. Paul's Chapel, Chapel yard enclosed. Spring Hill, Sisterhood of St. Philip, Beautiful Altar Cross and Candlesticks, Memorial to Bishop Lay. Great Choptank. Church nearly finished. All Saints.—Chapel at Cordova, Debt reduced. Trinity Cathedral.—Clergy house debt removed, Walk paved, New

Alms Basin and Chalice, Clergy house improved. St. Paul's by the Sea.—Vestments purchased, rich Church furniture presented. Whitmarsh.—Walnut Eagle Lectern Prayer Rest and Stall as Memorial. Worcester.—Improvement and repairs on Church at a cost of \$1,000, large part due to Ladies of Parish. Coventry.—Memorial Brass Altar Cross, Desk and Vases, Marble Cross to St. Paul's Church, Annessex, and Church generally improved.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved. That, notwithstanding the sad state of bereavement, in which the Diocese has lived during nearly the whole of the past year, there seems to have been felt a new sense of responsibility and the sacredness of our work, rather than that despondency which might have seemed to be the natural result.

Resolved, That the past teaching and example of our departed Bishop shall ever be our stimulus to renewed efforts, in a spirit of filial loyalty to him, who shall be over us in the LORD in the service of the Master.

Resolved, That the past history as well as the recent successes of the Diocese of Easton, combine to give her a position and open before her a prospect, which may well fill the souls of her Clergy and Laity with genuine, though humble, satisfaction, and earnest and undying zeal.

F. W. HILLIARD, W. W. HOPKINS,
WM. SCHOULER, J. A. FIELDS,
GEO. W. BOWNE, SAM. E. WILLS,

Committee.

The resolutions were severally adopted.

Mr. J. B. Seth from the Committee on Accounts read the report of the Committee.

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the reports of the Treasurer of the Convention, Treasurer of the Trust Fund, and Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, respectfully report, that they have carefully examined each of said reports, and find the accounts to stand as follows :

The Report of THOS. HUGHLETT, Treasurer of the Convention, shows

Cash Receipts during year.....	\$633 50
Disbursements to June 1st, 1886.....	655 69
Balance due Treasurer for 1885.....	\$38 34
“ “ “ “ 1886.....	22 09
	<hr/> \$ 60 43

The Report of the Treasurer of the Trust Fund, shows

Amount to credit of Stepney Parish, 1885.....	\$125 42
Interest to July 14, 1885.....	58
	<hr/> \$126 00
To amount paid Rev. F. B. Adkins.....	126 00
(Signed,) THOS. HUGHLETT,	
<i>Treasurer.</i>	

The Report of E. L. F. HARDCASTLE, Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund, shows

Total Receipts for the year with cash on hand at last report....	\$1,837 43
Amount invested.....	\$1,500 00
Balance in hand	337 43
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	\$1,837 43
Amount invested.....	4,400 00
Cash on hand.....	337 43
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Total to date.....	4,737 43
Amount of increase during year:	\$ 940 50

The Committee further report that they have carefully examined the vouchers of the Treasurer of the Convention, and find them correct, and all the disbursement properly accounted for.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. E. BATEMAN,
JOSEPH B. SETH,
E. W. McMASTER,

Committee.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due to the citizens of Elkton, and vicinity, for their generous hospitality and kindness to the members of this body.

Resolved, That \$10 be paid to the sexton of Trinity Church.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the President for his courtesy in presiding over this body.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due to the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company for kindly passing the members of this Convention at reduced fare.

Resolved, That thanks be tendered the Rector and Vestry of this Church for services and attention to the general comfort of the members; and to the Choir for their excellent music.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Buck, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due to the Rev. A. R. Walker for the excellent sermon preached at the opening service of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. S. C. Roberts, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention meet in Emmanuel Church, Chestertown.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to print 750 copies of the Journal.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, after reading of the minutes and suitable prayer, the Convention adjourned.

THEO. P. BARBER,
President pro tempore.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

W. S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY

St. John's Parish.

Wardens.—W. T. Downs and James G. Bond.

Vestrymen.—J. P. Manlove, Dr. T. S. Reynolds, J. M. Wooters, Charles R. Wooters, A. J. Morgan, John H. Holt, Geo. Ernst, John S. Mitchell.

Families 35; Souls 175; Baptisms, Infants 8; Marriages 5; Burials 9; Communicants, present number 50; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 30.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund, \$5; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2; Diocesan Missions \$12.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$300; Current Expenses \$18; Improvement and Repairs \$90; Other Purposes \$41.

Church Property.—Rectory valued at \$1,500; Holy Trinity Church,ittings 300; value \$3,000; St. Paul's Chapel,ittings 150; value \$300; the Parish owns five acres of land, assessed at \$400.

I must record here the gift from the loving memory of a friend and parishioner of a handsome brass cross for the altar of St. Paul's Chapel, in memoriam, Mrs. L. V. Beaven, for nearly a quarter of a century in this Parish, the loving, faithful and self-denying co-worker of her husband, the rector. It must be said, also, that appreciative and interested hands have supplied the Chapel with neat and satisfactory double bracket lamps. The Chapel yard and burying ground attached have been enclosed by a pleasing and substantial fence of rail and paling work.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. M. Russum and Geo. W. Richardson.

Vestrymen.—G. M. Russum, P. W. Downes, W. G. Horsey, J. W. Bryant, Charles Stevens, R. G. Stewart, G. W. Richardson, C. W. Byrne.

Families 26; Souls 130; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 4; Total 5; Class of about 12 awaiting Confirmation; Marriage 1; Burials 6; died 1; removed 8; present number 21; actually communicating 20; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers 9; Scholars 35.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Sunday School Lenten Offering \$4; Mission to the Jews \$1.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$4; Diocesan Missions \$30.50; Home for Friendless Children \$3.50; Sunday School offering besides as above reported \$8.00.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; Amount paid \$256.50; Improvement and repairs, Church replastered, recarpeted, repainted, and a new stove at a cost of \$117.66; Current Expenses \$42; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$23; For the Monument to Bishop Lay \$5.25; For Rectory Fund about \$70.

Church Property.—Rectory valued at \$1,100; Insured for \$650; But there is still a mortgage on the Rectory of \$750; Church,ittings 125; value \$2,400; Insured for \$1,600; God willing a chapel will soon be built.

There are now two Guilds in this Parish. Christ Church Guild still continues its good works, strengthening the hands of the Rector in keeping the Church alive, part of which is struggling to pay for the Rectory. St. Stephen's Guild was organized on the 18th of October, 1885, near Federalsburg. This Guild has secured a lot of land (one acre) for a chapel which they hope to erect this summer. It is about 16 miles from Denton. This Guild has also secured for the chapel, in gifts and subscriptions, all the necessary lumber, several weeks of labor, all the plastering and brick work, hardware valued at \$5.00, 500 bricks valued at \$3.75 and about \$300.00 in money. There is also a Sunday School and a flourishing congregation in that part of the Parish. The Guilds do nearly all the work which is done by the Laity, and the most of that is done by the ladies, but this last applies chiefly to Denton. If the Laity will only attend to the temporalities of our parishes which they are under oath to do through their representatives, the vestry, then the Clergy, being free to attend to the spiritual work, all will be well. It is not in reason that we should leave the work of God and serve tables.

S. D. HALL, *Rector*.

CECIL COUNTY.

St. Augustine Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. T. Price and Benj. P. Hanson,

Vestrymen.—Wm. T. Price, B. P. Hanson, R. H. Baker, G. O. Massey, Jos. D. Steele, R. S. Purdy, B. Bouchelle, W. T. Harriott.

Families 20; Souls 84; Baptisms, Infants 5; Confirmed 2; Burials 2; Communicants, added 4; present number 26; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers 8; Scholars 81.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$8.03; Home for Friendless Children \$1.05; Bishop Lay Monument Fund \$14.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$72.97; Current Expenses, \$49.81; On note by individual for building of Church in Chesapeake City \$120; Other purposes \$10.95.

Church Property.—St. Augustine Church, value \$1,000; Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City \$6,000;ittings 130; Insured for \$3,520.

The Parish is under additional obligations to Alfred Nowland, Esq., of Newcastle, Del., for further improvements in St. Augustine Church. Also to the Rev. Lewis Walke, of North Sassafras Parish, for services held in said Church during a portion of the year.

WILLIAM SCHOULER, *Rector*.

Saint Mary's or North Elk.

—Samuel L. Chamberlain and Samuel W. Day.
 —Coudon. Geo. P. Whitaker, Samuel L. Chamberlain.
 —Jones. Wilson L. Coudon, Wm. Craig, Samuel W. Day.
 —Baptisms, Adults 6; Infants 78; Total 84; Confirmed
 —Communicants, added 2; died 1; present number 96;
 —Scholars 125.
 —Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$6.72; Foreign
 —Missions \$1.72.
 —Diocesan Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$22.50; Diocesan
 —Missions \$51.72; Home for Friendless Children
 —\$107.50; Monument Fund \$10.65.
 —Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; Amount paid
 —\$75; Improvement and Repairs \$75; Communion Alms
 —for the Poor \$35.40; Rector's Carriage, &c. \$107.51.
 —Rector's residence valued at \$5,000; Insured for \$2,000; Saint Mary's
 —Chapel valued at \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; Saint Mark's Chapel,
 —Saint John's in the Wilderness Chapel,ittings 100;
 —the Parish own 18 acres of land.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector.*

North Sassafras.

—David P. Davis and George Biddle.
 —George Biddle, David P. Davis, William Ward,
 —Frank, Henry S. Cochran, Dr. H. N. Uhler.
 —Baptisms, Infants 14; Confirmed 10; Marriages 5;
 —Communicants, added 4; present number 46; Sunday School,
 —Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$5.
 —Diocesan Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$75; Diocesan
 —Missions \$50; Home for Friendless Children
 —Library \$15.31; For the Bishop's Monument
 —Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid
 —\$924.22; Improvements and Repairs \$924.22; Com-
 —munion Alms for the Poor \$23.62.
 —Rector's residence valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500; St. Stephen's
 —Chapel valued at \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Stephen's Chapel,
 —The Parish owns 300 acres of

LEWIS WALKE, *Rector.*

Trinity Parish.

Wardens.—W. W. Henderson and Alfred Wetherill.

Vestrymen.—W. W. Henderson, Alfred Wetherill, H. P. Leslie, R. G. Reese, John Partridge, John S. Wirt, Dr. R. C. Mackall, L. T. Roberts. •

Families 66; Souls 260; Baptisms, Infants 8; Marriages 5; Burials 4; Communicants, added 1; removed 4; present number 72; Sunday Schools, Teachers 7; Scholars 33.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$23.32.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$30; Diocesan Missions \$70.47; Home for Friendless Children \$11.57; Episcopal Residence \$10; Bishop Lay Monument Fund \$33.75; Special Clergy Relief \$10; Additional 0.42.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$201.10; Improvements and Repairs \$322.06; Unexpended Balance \$28.78; Charities for the Poor \$40.20; For all Other Purposes \$70.90.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$3,000; Trinity Church, Sittings 200; Value \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$351.43.

Improvements and Repairs on Rectory and premises, being provided for out of Special Fund, not belonging to this year's contributions, are not included in the above statement.

WM. SCHOUler, *Rector*.

St. James' Parish.

Wardens.—W. W. Hopkins and R. E. McClenahan.

Vestrymen.—W. W. Hopkins, R. E. McClenahan, John Rinehart, John F. Mohrlein, James H. Touchstone, W. H. Noble, M. D., David R. Armstrong, James D. Martin.

Families about 30; Baptisms, Infants 6; Confirmed 9; Communicants, present number about 35; Sunday Schools, Teachers 11, Scholars 75.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10; Convention Fund \$12.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500 per annum; amount paid \$337.68; Current Expenses \$116.16.

Church Property.—1 Church; Sittings 250.

The Church has been without a Rector for more than six months of the past year, and part of the sum noted as paid Rector's Salary has been expended for occasional services. Rector's Salary paid in full to date. The present Rector entered upon his duties April 1st, and found the parish in an irregular condition. He hopes to make a complete report at the next Convention.

JACOB MILLER, *Rector*.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester Parish.

Wardens.—H. S. Carroll and J. Hooper Bosley.

Vestrymen.—Wm. W. Mace, Sam'l M. Travers, T. King Carroll, J. H. Edmondson, John M. Willis, R. L. Spilman, T. W. Stapleforte, H. S. Carroll.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infants 4; Burials 4; Communicants added 3, present number 31; actually communicating 28.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$2; Clergy Relief Fund and for Widows and Orphans \$2; Jews \$1.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$8; Diocesan Missions \$30; Home for Friendless Children \$6; Monument to Bishop Lay \$14.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$96.40; Current Expenses \$40.31; Catechisms 0.84; "The young Churchman" \$1.75.

Church Property.—Trinity and Grace Churches, Sittings 360; Value \$3,500; Grace Church insured for \$3,000.

The attendance upon the services is about the same as heretofore. A small class awaits confirmation. The Rector gratefully acknowledges continued kindnesses from friends at home and abroad.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector.*

East New Market Parish.

Vestrymen.—Isaac H. Wright, Elbridge C. Johnson, Thomas Leckie, Thomas J. Hicks, Dr. Jas. H. Thomas, John Andrew, U. S. Fletcher.

Families 20; Souls 130; Burials 4; Communicants 36; Sunday School, Teachers 10; Scholars 30.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Stephen's Church, Sittings 120; Value \$1,000.

Rector's Salary \$200; Current Expenses \$25; Communion Alms and other Charities \$30.

The Parish is now vacant.

THOMAS LECKIE, *Registrar.*

Great Choptank Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. R. Hayward and Edwin Dashiell.

Vestrymen. Alex. H. Bayley, Edw. W. LeCompte, Edwin Dashiell, G. Mundy, Wm. H. Barton, Jr., Thos. H. Williams, D. M. Henry, Jr., Healy.

Families 80; Souls 400; Baptisms, Infants 23; Marriages 5; Burials 15; Communicants, added 7; died 3; removed 10; present number 170; Sunday School, Teachers 10; Scholars 112.

Contributions. For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$17.65; Missionary Society \$10.00; New York Bible and Prayer Book Society \$3.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$45; Diocesan Missions \$142.40; Home for Friendless Children \$15; Monument for Bishop Lay \$14.10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$700; Current Expenses \$230; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$175; For all other purposes \$40.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,300; Insured for \$1,500; Christ Church,ittings 500; Value \$18,000; St. John's Chapel, Insured for \$800; Value \$900; St. James' Chapel, Insured for \$700; Value \$1,000.

There is a class for confirmation awaiting the visitation of a Bishop on 27th of June.

It is frankly acknowledged that great disappointment and trouble have come to us; in that the cost of our new Church has exceeded by one-third the original purpose and careful estimates of those in charge.

But in this sore perplexity we have not been forsaken, dear Brethren at a distance, have come a second time to our relief, and most all of the Parishioners have cheerfully subscribed anew. Hope was revived in our hearts. The Lord is on our side.

Our faithful and courteous assistant Minister has continued to render valuable aid through the entire year.

THEO. P. BARBER, *Rector.*

JAS. L. BRYAN, *Assist. Minister.*

Vienna Parish.

Wardens.—W. S. Craft and James A. Waddell.

Vestrymen.—Thos. Higgins, Dr. Eugene Hodson, N. I. Kennerley, Jas. A. Higgins, R. Watson Webb, W. H. Turpin, Albert Webb, W. A. Percy.

Families 14; Souls 49; Burial 1; Communicants, added 2; died 1; removed 1; present number 17; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 11.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$7.50; Diocesan Missions \$15.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$100; amount paid \$103; Current Expenses \$15.

Church Property.—Value \$400; The Parish owns two acres of land.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

Diocesan Missions.....	\$15 00	
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Sept. 19, By cash sent by Mr. Vandyne.....	\$3 06	
Dec'r 31, " " " " " ".....	2 50	
	<u>5 56</u>	
		\$9 44
To Convention Fund.....		5 00
" Extra Assessment.....		2 50
" Episcopal Fund.....		4 00
		<u>\$20 94</u>
Amount due Convention.....		\$20 94

KENT COUNTY.

Chester Parish.

—N. G. Westcott and T. S. Wickes.

Wardens, James A. Pearce, W. S. Walker, George B. West-

cott, W. Frank Hines, Samuel Beck.

Baptisms, Infants 14; Confirmed 12; Marriage 1;
Deaths 15; died 3; removed 2; present number 114;
Scholars 78.

Church at Large.—General Missions \$25.65; Domestic
Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$32.09; Pro-
prietors of the Jews \$7.50.

Steeple Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$60; Diocesan
Fund for Friendless Children \$11; Bishop Lay's Monument Fund
\$1.25.

Wardens' Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid
\$51.25; Improvements and Repairs \$560.23; Com-
mittees for the Poor \$104.32; Sunday School Easter:

Church valued at \$1,500; Emmanuel Church,ittings 281;
Church of the Holy Spirit \$5; value \$800; Its Invested Fund amounts to

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector.*

I. U. Parish.

—W. Hepbron and Eugene Bonwell.

Wardens, Edward W. Hepbron, John F. Becks, Philip

McLeod Rasin, John S. Clayton, Sam'l W. Wallis.

Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 15, Total 16; Confirmed 7;
Deaths, added 5; died 1; present number 32;
Scholars 25.

Church at Large.—General Missions \$5.

Steeple Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$1.50; Diocesan
Fund for Friendless Children \$10; Home for Friendless Children

Wardens' Salary, paid; Current Expenses \$52.93; Improve-
ment of Chancel Window \$13.89.

Church and lot, valued at \$500; Christ Church, Sit-

Christ Church, I. U. Parish, the past year, has steadily
increased in regular attendance on the services. The Confirma-
tion by Bishop Kulison, of Pennsylvania; others in the Parish are
Sabbath. The Sunday School has been resumed, and is
well sustained. The ladies of the Parish have done
much in recarpeting the Chancel, and a portion of the Church,

A suitable and handsome covering for the altar has been presented by one of their number.

The blessing of a kindly and harmonious spirit is among us.

JNO. MARTIN, *Acting Rector*.

North Kent Parish.

Wardens.—L. M. Bean and C. S. Hurlock.

Vestrymen.—Dr. C. H. B. Massey, Wm. Cary, S. Cary, S. Boyen, C. S. Hurlock, S. Hurlock, L. M. Bean, Dr. T. H. Crane.

Families 29; Souls 123; Baptisms, Infants 4; Burial 1; Communicants, present number 47; number actually communicating during the past year 14.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$1.95; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$3.65.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Missions \$1.64.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; Current Expenses \$30; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$7.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Mortgaged \$1,000; Church, value \$5,000; Chapel, value \$1,000.

The above report being only for six months is necessarily imperfect.

WM. BRITTAIN, *Rector*.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. A. Jessup and Harry Nichols.

Vestrymen.—S. Constable, J. Kasin, Geo. Beck, J. C. Wheatly, B. I. Taylor, T. A. Hulme, J. Rankin, Geo. Bell.

Baptisms, Infants 7; Burials 9; Communicants, added 2; removed 1; present number 64; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 20.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$2.40; Foreign Missions \$2.40.

For Diocesan Uses.—Home for Friendless Children \$6.41.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$555.57; Current Expenses \$90; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$25.56; For all Other Purposes \$5.44.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$1,875; The Parish owns fifty acres of land.

HENRY WALL, *Rector*.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Wardens.—Jno. C. Sutton and H. C. Wallis.

Vestrymen.—J. M. Armstrong, N. W. Comegys, J. W. Hurtt, J. W. Ireland, D. J. Nowland, Henry Parr, E. B. Pennington, F. H. Taylor.

Families 65; Souls 200; Baptisms, Infants 25; Confirmed 4; Marriages 3; Burials 4; Communicants, added 15; died 2; removed 7; present number 95; Sunday Schools 2; Teachers 9; Scholars 65.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$1.40; Mission to the Jews \$1.50; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans 10 per cent. of Alms.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$22.98; Diocesan Missions \$59.35; Home for Friendless Children \$27.64; For Tomb, &c. of Bishop \$22.70; Episcopal Residence \$9.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; in arrears; Current Expenses \$100; Improvements and Repairs \$180; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$45; Special \$15; Sunday Schools \$35.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Church, Sittings 200; value \$3,250; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel, value \$2,800; Insured for \$1,600; The Parish owns ten acres of land assessed at \$1,000.

The Church yard improvements have continued; and until now this old cemetery—one of the oldest in the United States—presents a very neat and attractive appearance. The Sexton's house is completed and occupied.

The Rector, loath to leave so pleasant a work as he has found this, has resigned his charge and accepted a Parish in the Diocese of Maryland.

R. HEBER MURPHY, *Rector*.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wardens.—Jas. W. Goodhand and Chas. R. Blake.

Vestrymen.—Ed. C. Legg, W. P. Thompson, Wm. Henry Legg, E. S. Skinner, Jas. W. Goodhand, W. P. Tanner, Wm. B. Goodhand, Jas. B. Hopkins.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infants 4; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Communicants, present number 40; Sunday School, Scholars 35.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$7.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12.50; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Missions \$4.75.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$40; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$6.50; Bishop's Monument \$11.10; Ladies' Aid Society \$45.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church, Sittings 150; Value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500.

The farms held in trust by the Vestry are improving in value, and are under efficient management by the Committee to whom the Vestry have entrusted them. Extensive improvements have been made on these farms during the last year in the way of fencing and inclosing tracts which have long lain out as commons. A new barn has been built on one of these places, and on the other, the old barn has been recovered and repaired. The Rectory has been repaired and painted, and the yard and Church lot have been newly fenced. The Church has been recently painted. The belfry is now complete, and all is without debt or any incumbrance, and the Church is now ready for consecration as soon as we can secure the services of a Bishop.

The amount expended for these various purposes is not in the possession of the undersigned, but may be safely estimated at \$1,200.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector*.

St. Luke's Parish.

Wardens.—W. E. Faithful and Washington Collins.

Vestrymen.—Wm. Gould, Joseph E. George, James Brown, Wm. H. Newman, Robert J. Catlin, A. J. Gadd, J. W. Appleford, William Hurlock.

Families 60; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 8; Total 9; Confirmed 20; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Communicants, added 24; died 1; present number 100; Sunday Schools, Teachers 12; Scholars 75.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic and Foreign Missions \$22.25.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Missions \$29.35; Home for Friendless Children \$5.28; Monument Fund \$7.85.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$575; amount paid \$575; Current Expenses, inclusive of Chapel \$174.39; Improvements and Repairs, inclusive of Chapel \$582.76; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$48.51.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$2,400; Insured for \$1,600; St. Luke's Church, Sittings 250; Value \$5,200; Insured for \$3,000; St. Andrew's Chapel, Value \$2,500; The Parish owns four acres of land.

The single death among Communicants was that of the Rev. Thomas L. Green, May 15th, in the 74th year of his age, and was among the oldest Presbyters in the Diocese. He was ordained to the Diaconate by Bishop Whittingham, March 16th, 1851, and to the Priesthood, January 9th, 1852. He has twice served as Rector *ad interim* of the Parish, and on both occasions rendered invaluable service in times of great emergency. His remains were interred in St. Luke's Church Yard. The Rev. James A. Mitchell and Rev. S. C. Roberts assisted in the obsequies.

J. PLEASANTON DUHAMEL, D. D., *Rector*.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—Richard T. Earle and Wm. B. Earle.

Vestrymen.—R. T. Earle, Wm. McKenny, J. B. Brown, R. Hollyday, E. H. Brown, Wm. Warren, Chas. N. Clash, W. Hopper Gibson.

Families 78; Souls 350; Baptisms, Infants 23; Confirmed 7; Marriages 2; Burials 8; Communicants, added 14; died 1; removed 9; present number 147; actually communicating 135, Sunday Schools, Teachers 12; Scholars 61; Parish School, Teacher, 1; Scholars 16.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$13.75; Mission to Jews \$5.79. Miscellaneous \$1.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$60; Diocesan Missions \$160; Home for Friendless Children \$39.74; Student of Divinity \$20; Miscellaneous \$1.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$265.48; Improvements and Repairs \$78.80; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$53.80; Sunday School \$101.29; Rectory Debt \$209.89; For all Other Purposes \$34.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$4,200; Insured for \$3,000; St. Paul's Church, Sitings 399; Value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; Sunday School Chapel, Value \$200; Insured for \$500; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector*.

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Wardens.—J. P. Davidson and H. R. Hopkins, M. D.

Assessors.—C. M. Tilghman, J. P. Davidson, Chas. Cockey, M. D., Tilghman
Farm, E. M. Hopkins, M. D., C. W. McConnor, George DeRoachburne.

Members. Adults 2; Infants 11; Total 13; Confirmed 6; Marriages 2; Burials 2; Communicants, added 6; died 2; removed 9; present number 73; actually communicating 64.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic and Foreign Missions \$2.75.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Charge Relief Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$25; Home for Friendless Children \$20; Bishop's Monument \$12.75; Episcopal Residence \$15.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$438; Current Expenses \$240.36; Improvements and repairs \$70.50; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$21.14; For all Other Purposes \$3.80.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$1,200; St. Luke's and Chapel, Sitings 100; Value \$2,000; The Parish owns three and a half acres of land.

This year, as in the past, this Parish has suffered heavily by removals and death. It seems to be passing through a fire of affliction.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector*.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish.

Wardens.—Charles Curtis, Senior, and Hoke Cullen, Junior.

Assistant Wardens.—William Todd and John Robertson.

Assessors. John S. Sudler, E. J. Davy, Charles Curtis, Alfred B. Turpin,
Charles C. Wetherill, Ogden H. Wilkins, John H. Miles, Col. B. Hufty.

Members. Souls 243; Baptisms, Infants 21; Confirmed 4; Marriages 5; Burials 1; Communicants, added 5; died 1; removed 2; present number 93; Sunday School Teachers & Scholars 40.

Contributions. For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$679; Foreign Missions \$100; Charge Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$7.25; For the Jews \$2.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Missions \$50.41; Home for Friendless Children \$3.87; Bishop Lay's Monument Fund \$10; Episcopal Residence and Library \$34.06.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid including \$200 from Missions \$600; Current Expenses \$38.63; Improvements and Repairs \$78.03; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$23.16.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Stephen's Church,ittings 200; Value \$1,500; Insurance on SS. Stephen's and Paul's \$2,950.50; St. Mark's Chapel,ittings 100; Value \$800; St. Paul's Church,ittings 200; Value \$2,400.

St. Stephen's Church, Upper Fairmount, has been presented with a massive brass altar-cross, desk and vases, given as memorials. Some kind friend sent a marble cross for the altar of St. Paul's Church, Annessex. From time to time we hope to beautify the Churches of this old Parish.

The usual improvements have gone on in the Parish. There is money in hand for kalsomining and painting St. Mark's Church, Kingston. The work will be commenced in a few days.

OLIVER H. MURPHY, *Rector*.

Somerset Parish.

Wardens.—John Woolford and H. P. Dashiell.

Vestrymen.—Isaac S. Atkinson, Wm. J. Brittingham, H. H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, Wm. H. Gale, O. A. Jones, Robert J. Waller and Levin Woolford.

Families 80; Souls 400; Baptisms, Infants 6; Burials 8; Communicants, died 2; present number 188; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 40.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Missions \$6.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Current Expenses \$92.08; Improvements and Repairs on Rectory \$114; Amount paid Visiting Clergymen \$170.63.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,500; St. Andrew's Church,ittings 300; Value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saints' Chapel, Value 3,000; Insured for \$2,000; its Invested Fund amounts to \$56.

Wicomico Parish.

Wardens.—J. D. Costen and R. L. Griffith.

Vestrymen.—W. E. Jones, Dan'l W. Jones, M. D., M. F. Bounds, Wm. H. Gros-cup, Geo. A. Bounds, J. W. Barnett, F. E. Bailey, A. H. Green.

Families 23; Souls 129; Baptisms, Infants 4; Communicants, added 1; died 1; present number 28; Sunday School, Teachers 12; Scholars 60.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$25; Memorial Cross and Candlesticks, Bishop Lay \$28; Towards the Bishop's Monument \$5.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$75; amount paid \$115.25; Current Expenses \$5.

Church Property.—Grace Church,ittings 120; Value \$1,500.

The Congregation has made some improvements in the Chancel, and has placed upon the altar a brass cross and two candlesticks in memory of our beloved Bishop.

FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, *Rector*.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

Wardens.—C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt.

Vestrymen.—C. C. Lloyd, John E. Hayward, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, Geo. T. Truitt, Geo. W. Bailey, E. W. McMaster, Jas. W. Dougherty, Jr.

Baptisms, Infants 11; Confirmed 4; Marriages 4; Burials 6; Communicants, added 6; died 2; removed 3; present number 117; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 90.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$2.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15; Convention Fund \$27; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$11.05; Diocesan Missions \$30; Home for Friendless Children \$2.26; Bishop's Monument \$10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$400; amount paid \$400; Current Expenses \$115.80; Improvements and Repairs \$88.14.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250; Value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel, value \$1,000; School House and Lot, value \$100; its Invested Fund amounts to \$445.47.

The interior of St. Mary's Church has been greatly improved during the past year. It has been carpeted and painted. An altar cross, two candlesticks and two vases, all of polished brass, and exquisite in design and finish, have been presented by Mr. J. A. Fields and his children, in memory of Mrs. Fields. An enlargement of the chancel and vestry room is now in progress.

F. W. HILLIARD, *Rector*.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's Parish.

Wardens.—John T. Harrison and George W. Tyler.

Vestrymen.—G. W. Tyler, J. W. Covey, J. T. Harrison, E. Denny, A. K. Easter, W. Willis, W. Caulk, M. D., S. Harrison.

Families 62; Souls 300; Baptisms, Infants 8; Marriages 2; Burials 5; Communicants, died 1; present number 84; actually communicating 65; Sunday School, Teachers 9; Scholars 60.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$23.25; Diocesan Missions \$11.65; Home for Friendless Children \$6.14.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$300; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$27.54.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$2,000; Christ Church,ittings 350; Value \$15,000; Insured for \$10,000; St. Paul's Royal Oak Chapel, value \$1,000; Holy Innocents' Chapel, value \$800; its Invested Fund amounts to \$3,000.

(The Rector having died and the Parish being vacant, this report is necessarily incomplete.)

St. Peter's Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. W. Minnick and Richard T. Martin.

Vestrymen.—Sam'l Hambleton, Dr. I. L. Adkins, Dr. Jno. C. Earle, M. T. Goldsborough, Dr. J. E. M. Chamberlaine, E. L. F. Hardcastle, F. C. Goldsborough, Oswald Tilghman.

Families 74; Souls 325; Baptisms, Infants 19; Confirmed 14; Marriage 1; Burials 9; Communicants added 18; died 5; present number 138; Sunday School, Teachers 14; Scholars 123.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$15.60; Foreign Missions \$22.40; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$14.85; Special from S. S. for a Missionary in N. California \$40; Work among the Jews \$7.60.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$40.93; Diocesan Missions \$248.70; Home for Friendless Children \$90.17; Extra Ass. for Gen'l Convention \$25; Extra objects not mentioned \$131.05.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,200; amount paid \$1,200; Current Expenses \$793.07; Improvements and Repairs \$358.40; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$164.64; For all other Purposes \$70.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Christ Church,ittings 450; Value \$16,000; Insured for \$12,000; Sunday School Chapel, value \$2,500; Insured for \$2,000.

Among improvements, etc., it gives me pleasure to mention, new pavement in front of the old Church, now used for Sunday School purposes, and a new carpet in Choir Chamber.

By the Church Aid.—Carpet, Matting and Papering in the Rectory.

By the Busy Workers.—New and handsome walnut furniture in the Vestry Room.

CHAS. E. BUCK, *Rector*.

Whitemarsh Parish.

Wardens.—John W. Martin and Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Vestrymen.—Joseph B. Seth, Robert Bartlett, Wm. A. Kirby, John Warner, James T. Bartlett, James H. Benson, J. W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Families 74; Souls 325; Baptisms, Infants 12; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Communicants, added 4; died 2; removed and withdrawn 8; present number 114; actually communicating 95; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 20.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$7.23; Foreign Missions \$27.23; Indian, (box) \$73; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$3; Jews \$5.

For Diocesan Uses.—Bishop's Residence, (cash) \$52; Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$37.50; Diocesan Missions \$70; Home for Friendless Children \$50.63; Disabled Clergymen \$24.50; Green Hill Church \$7; Bishop Lay's funeral and Monument \$40.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$588.47; Current Expenses \$120.85; Improvements and Repairs \$357.67; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$32.27; For all other Purposes \$310.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Paul's Trappe Church,ittings 250; Value \$3,500; Insured for \$2,500; Grace (Oxford) Chapel, value \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000.

Among improvements, I may mention particularly Walnut Eagle Lecturn, with Prayer desk and stall, put in the Parish Church as a memorial of one passed to rest: also, quite a good stained glass chancel window furnished by Colegate of N. Y., for Grace Chapel, Oxford. Including cash reported last year (\$27) and this (\$52,) as also notes, this Parish contributes \$326, to the fund in behalf of the Episcopal residence.

ALBERT R. WALKER, *Rector.*

Trinity Cathedral Parish.

Trustees.—H. E. Bateman, P. F. Thomas, Paul Winchester, J. F. Bateman, Thos. K. Robson, Charles Seymour.

Families 35; Souls 140; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 8; Total 9; Confirmed 19; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Communicants, added 20; died 1; removed 5; present number 57, actually communicating 48; Sunday School, Teachers 10; Scholars 83.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$10.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2; Diocesan Missions \$57.65; Home for Friendless Children \$33.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$588.98; Current Expenses \$63.98; Improvements and Repairs \$367.92; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$35.72; Clergy House debt \$114.60; Bishop Lay's Monument \$23.05.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,750; Insured for \$2,000; Trinity Cathedral Church,ittings 175; Value \$3,000; Insured for \$600; Holy Cross Chapel, value \$300; Invested Fund amounts to \$300.

The Church was without a Rector on account of the death of Bishop Lay, and was administered by the Assistant Minister, Rev. G. S. Gassner, on the 1st of May, 1886.

All services were performed under the ministry of Rev. G. S. Gassner, Assistant Minister.

The Church debt has been entirely liquidated. The Women's Guild has purchased the Church and Clergy House lots; and has paid \$80 for furnishing the Church with a silver plate of brass and a silver chalice have been pre-

sented during the year. During the vacancy, the Clergy House is being repaired and repainted.

H. E. BATEMAN, *Senior Trustee*.

All Saints' Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. R. Goldsborough and A. P. Neal.

Vestrymen.—J. McD. Goldsborough, G. R. Goldsborough, Chas. H. Rose, H. Thompson, J. T. Kirby, Thomas Hopkins, Sr., W. T. Elben, Chas. N. Willis.

Families 45; Souls 195; Baptisms, Infants 17; Marriages 3; Burials 11; Communicants, added 3; died 2; present number 73; actually communicating 67; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 60.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$33.71; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$14.75.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$48.49; Diocesan Missions \$52.31; Home for Friendless Children \$56.11; Extra Assessment \$7.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$128; Bishop Lay's Monument Fund \$47.83. Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$34.33; Mite Chests for Episcopal Residence \$6.36; Collected and paid on debt on Chapel at Cordova \$133.78; Collections at Chapel at Cordova \$30.07.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,300; All Saints' Church,ittings \$175; Value \$8,000; Insured for \$6,000; Good Shepherd Chapel, Cordova, value \$1,700; Sittings 90; Insured for \$1,200; The Parish owns 33 acres of land.

The amount collected since last report \$133.78;—for the debt on Chapel at Cordova, has been mostly used to pay the interest on note in bank, thus making but a small actual reduction; still leaving due for material and carpenters' wages \$700. Four gentlemen:—C. R. Wooters, T. P. Hopkins, Thomas A. Dudley and Dr. C. H. Rose, have assumed the greater portion of the indebtedness by placing a note in Easton National Bank for \$600.

W. Y. BEAVEN, *Rector*.

Miles River Parish.

Wardens.—Dr. Charles Lowndes and Howard Lloyd.

Vestrymen.—Dr. Charles Lowndes, Robert Hough, C. Howard Lloyd, David C. Trimble, J. H. Wheeler, Louis Trail, Francis Barry, T. H. Oliver.

Families 22; Souls 100; Baptisms, Infants 16; Marriages 4; Burials 2; Communicants, died 1; removed 2; present number 46.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$4.13; Jews' Missions \$4.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Missions \$50.

Financial Notes.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$500; Current Expenses \$100; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$25; Other Purposes \$25.

Real Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,200; Church, Value \$2,000; the Parish owns $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land.

J. W. CHESLEY, *Rector*.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Parish.—Gustavus W. White and Elijah J. Carsons.

Wardens.—Gustavus W. White, Isaac S. Adams, Randolph Humphreys, Lafayette P. Humphreys, Albert D. Ellegood, Geo. W. Waller, Washington E. Parsons, James C. Waller.

Members.—Souls 130; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 7; Total 8; Confirmed 9; Communicants, added 10; present number 185; Sunday School, 125; Scholars 125.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—For the Jews \$6.29.

Financial Notes.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$30; Diocesan Fund \$20.

Real Property.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$158; Improvements and Repairs \$135; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$60; Organist's Salary \$80; Other Purposes \$25.

Real Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; St. Peter's Church, valued at \$8,000; Insured for \$6,000; St. Peter's Chapel; the Rectory, assessed at \$1,000.

Other Notes.—A new church is to be started in this Parish next fall, beginning August 29th. A new church has been secured. A brass cross has been placed in the new Church in memory of our late Diocesan, Bishop

GEO. W. BOWNE, *Rector*.

Spring Hill Parish.

Parish.—Excel Hitch and John F. Collier.

Wardens.—Jonathan Waller and James M. Jones.

Members.—Wm. Bennett, Wm. Howard, Horace Venables, John L. Martin, Albert L. Jones, Geo. W. Mezick.

Members.—Souls 130; Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 8; Total 10; Confirmed 10; Communicants added 6; died 4; present number 130.

Members.—St. Philip; Scholars 21.

Contributions.—Episcopal Fund \$5; Convention Fund \$18; For the Church at Large \$1.63; Memorial Cross \$1.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised, nothing; amount paid, envelope system \$246.74; Current Expenses \$20.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200; St. Paul's Church, Sittings 500, Value \$4,000; St. Philip's Chapel 200; Value \$2,000.

This Parish has a Sisterhood, organized during the past year. The sisters are known as the Sisters of Saint Philip. They are under one of their number known as the Sister Superior. They are of great help to the Rector, teaching the Sunday School, visiting the sick, and ready at all times to do his bidding.

Through their efforts we have a beautiful altar cross and candlesticks and vases, memorials to our late Father in God. The Parish Church has also placed memorials on the altar to His memory.

FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, *Rector*.

Stepney Parish.

Wardens.—Robert Walter and George E. Wingate.

Vestrymen.—Robert Walter, George D. Walter, Lewin T. Walter, Geo. E. Wingate, Littleton Leatherbury, John W. Willing, Wm. R. Kennerly.

Families 50; Souls 200; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 8; Total 9; Communicants, added 1; present number 11.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$18.75.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$75; amount paid \$47.75; Current Expenses \$5; Improvements and Repairs, the old Parish Church \$850.

Church Property.—(Old Green Hill,) St. Bartholomew's Church, Sittings 500; value \$5,000; St. Mary's Chapel, Sittings 150; value \$1,000.

During the past year the old Parish Church at Green Hill has been partially restored at a cost of \$850. The invested fund reported last year has been paid by the Treasurer of the Diocese to the Rector and Vestry, and has been applied to the improvements.

The congregation is steadily increasing, there being 100 present at the last service. It is purposed hereafter to hold services every two weeks in the old Church.

On the 26th of last August, it was formally opened for the worship of Almighty God. There were over a thousand persons present.

FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, *Rector*.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

Wardens.—J. J. Collins and Edward P. Davis.

Vestrymen.—Dr. Geo. W. Bishop, J. J. Collins, Oliver D. Collins, Edward P. Davis, Edward L. Boehme, J. Fred. Wooley, Jas. D. Hack, and Dr. Erastus S. Dashiell.

Families 25; Souls 230; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 10; Total 11; Confirmed 18; Marriages 7; Burials 5; Communicants, added 18; removed 3; present

number 97; actually communicating 50; Sunday Schools, Teachers 12; Scholars 80.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$19.45; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$2.45.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$9.20; Convention Fund \$18; Diocesan Missions \$24.62; Home for Friendless Children \$10.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$650; amount paid \$650; Current Expenses \$125; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$15.23.

Church Property.—Rectory, Valued at \$1,500; Insured for \$1,200; All Hallows' Church, Sitings 350; Value 3,000; Holy Cross Chapel, Stockton, Value \$750; St. John's Chapel, Klej Grange, Value \$250; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$4,200.

By the will of the late Miss Harrietta C. Long, the Parish will come in possession of four hundred dollars about the first of August next. It is given for repairs on the Parish Church building.

The Vestry propose erecting an addition to the Rectory this summer, the funds for which are in hand except about one hundred dollars, which will be raised in the next two or three weeks. The cost of the contemplated improvement will be about five hundred dollars.

A. BATTE, *Rector*.

Worcester Parish.

Wardens.—John R. Purnell and John S. Purnell.

Vestrymen.—Dr. H. C. Hudson, B. Jones Taylor, John F. Jones, John T. Keas, Dr. T. A. J. Holloway, Dr. E. J. Dirickson, R. J. Showell, L. L. Dirickson, Jr.

Families 50; Souls 175; Baptisms, Adult 1; Infants 7; Total 8; Confirmed 1; Marriages 2; Burials 1; Communicants, added 5; removed 4; present number 64; Sunday Schools, Teachers 6; Scholars 35.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions, (S. School Lent Offerings,) \$18.03; Domestic Missions \$17.94; Foreign Missions \$19.02; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$13.58; Church Missions to the Jews \$4.93.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$22.50; Diocesan Missions \$59.31; Home for Friendless Children, (of which from S. School \$1.88,) \$8.94; Episcopal Residence \$14.75; Disabled Clergymen (Special) \$10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$550; amount paid \$485.50; Current Expenses \$90.41; Improvements and Repairs \$591.90; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$43.54; Sunday School Offerings not reported above \$4.12.

Church Property.—No Rectory; St. Paul's Church, Sitings 250; Value \$3,000; Insured for \$1,250; St. Martin's Chapel, Value \$1,500; The Parish owns four acres of land.

The Rector's salary has been reduced by the Vestry to \$500, dating from February 1st, 1886.

Improvements and repairs have been made on St. Paul's Church, Berlin, including a new roof, plastering, ceiling, painting, removal of gallery, carpet for chan-

cel, and stove for vestry room, at a total cost of about \$1,000. The larger part of this amount is the result of the faithful work of the ladies of the Parish for several years past.

JOHN R. JOYNER, *Rector*.

St. Paul's by the Sea Parish.

Wardens.—J. A. Fields and W. S. Purnell.

Vestrymen.—R. Q. Taylor, J. A. Fields, R. J. Henry, W. S. Purnell, J. R. Purnell, John B. Myers, W. Selby Purnell.

Baptisms, Infants 4; actually communicating 80.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$5.

Church Property.—One Church,ittings 250; Value \$1,500; The Parish owns 11,000 square feet of land, assessed at \$100.

Seven services held during the summer. Holy Eucharist celebrated seven times. Five of the services by Visiting Clergymen. Two of the services by Clergymen in the Diocese. Contributions about \$60, devoted to purchase of vestments and supply. A large donation of Church Furniture from Church of The Annunciation, Philadelphia.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

During the past year I have preached eleven times, administered the Holy Communion three times, and assisted in its administration repeatedly, said the office for the Burial of the Dead once, and baptised two infants.

E. J. STEARNS.

TO THE CONVENTION OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON.

The Rev. J. N. Wattson respectfully reports, I resigned the Rectorship of North Kent Parish Sept. 1st 1885. Since 1st of December I have assisted constantly in the services at St. John's Church, Kingston, N. Y., have preached frequently, lectured weekly, administered the Holy Communion forty-seven (47) times, and buried two persons.

Kingston, N. Y., June 1st, 1886.

J. N. WATTSON.

TABLE I.—STATISTICS OF PERSONS.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	Families.	Individuals	BAPTISMS.		Confirma- tions.	Marriages.	Funerals.	COMMUNICANTS.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		PARISH SCHOOLS.		
			Adult.	In- fant.				Add.	Died.	Re- moved.	Present No.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.
St. John's.....	35	175	...	8	...	5	9	...	...	...	50	4	30	...	...
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	26	130	...	4	...	5	1	...	...	...	21	9	35	...	...
Augustine.....	20	84	...	5	...	2	6	...	...	...	8	8	35	...	...
North Elk.....	77	360	6	78	15	6	40	2	1	...	26	16	125	...	...
N. Sassafras.....	20	100	...	14	10	5	5	...	...	...	96	10	60	...	...
Trinity, Cecil.....	66	260	...	...	...	5	4	1	...	...	46	7	33	...	...
St. James.....	30	*115	...	6	9	...	...	...	...	...	72	7	75	...	...
Dorchester.....	20	120	...	4	...	...	4	3	...	...	31	...	...	...	...
East New Market.....	56	130	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	36	6	30	...	...
Vienna.....	14	49	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	17	4	11	...	...
Great Choptank.....	80	400	...	23	...	5	15	2	1	...	170	10	112	...	...
Chester.....	30	120	1	14	12	1	10	15	3	2	114	8	78	...	...
I. U.....	29	123	...	15	7	2	3	5	1	...	32	5	25	...	...
North Kent.....	...	...	...	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	47	...	...	...	...
St. Paul's, Kent.....	*35	140	...	7	...	...	9	2	...	...	64	4	20	...	...
Shrewsbury.....	65	200	...	25	4	...	3	...	...	...	95	9	65	...	...
Christ Church.....	20	120	...	4	...	3	3	...	...	...	40	...	35	...	...
St. Luke's.....	60	*231	1	8	20	3	3	34	1	...	100	12	75	...	10
St. Paul's, Q. A. C.....	78	350	...	23	7	2	8	14	1	...	147	12	61	1	16
Wye.....	...	...	2	11	16	2	5	6	2	...	73	...	...	...	...
Coventry.....	57	245	...	21	4	5	4	5	1	...	188	6	40	...	...
Somerset.....	80	400	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	117	8	90	...	...
Wicomico.....	23	129	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	84	9	60	...	...
Pocomoke.....	...	...	...	11	4	4	6	6	2	...	46	...	...	...	...
St. Michael's.....	62	300	...	8	...	2	5	...	...	...	73	6	60	...	...
Miles River.....	22	100	...	16	...	3	2	...	...	...	138	14	123	...	...
All Saints.....	45	195	...	17	...	11	3	...	...	...	114	4	20	...	...
St. Peter's.....	74	325	...	19	14	1	9	18	5	...	57	10	83	...	...
Whitemarsh.....	74	325	...	12	...	2	4	20	1	...	130	9	21	...	...
Trinity Cathedral.....	35	140	1	8	19	2	4	7	6	4	185	13	125	...	...
Spring Hill.....	102	435	2	8	7	4	8	10	...	...	97	12	80	...	...
Salisbury.....	107	430	1	7	9	4	8	10	...	...	64	6	35	...	...
All Hallows.....	25	230	1	10	18	7	5	18	...	...	11	...	...	...	...
Worcester.....	50	175	1	7	1	2	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stepney.....	60	200	1	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals.....	1,562	6,377	18	427	168	82	207	107	38	78	2,727	251	1,788	1	16

* Supplemented from last year's report.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	CHURCH AT LARGE.						DIOCESAN.					PAROCHIAL.			
	General Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Indian Missions.	Mission to Jews.	Increase of Ministry.	Clergy Relief.	Episcopal Fund.	Convention Fund.	Clergy Relief.	Diocesan Missions.	Home of Friendless.	Parish Expenses.	Improve- ments.	Communion. Alms.	Other Purposes.
St. John's.....	\$4 00			\$1 00			\$4 00	\$5 00	\$2 00	\$12 00	\$3 00	\$318 00	\$90 00	\$25 00	\$41 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....							4 00	4 00		30 50	8 00	308 50	117 00		81 25
Augustine.....										8 00	1 00	122 78	20 00	\$25 00	94 95
North Elk.....	\$6 72	\$6 72		1 72			12 00	22 50	5 00	53 72	1 26	325 00	75 00	35 40	225 00
N. Saassafus.....		5 00					40 00	75 00	20 00	50 00	22 20	1,282 76	924 22	23 62	43 36
Trinity, Cecil.....	23 32							30 00		70 47	11 57	801 00	322 06	40 20	153 05
St. James'.....		2 00		1 00		\$2 00	10 00	12 50		30 00	6 00	483 84			16 39
Dorchester.....								8 00				136 71			
East New Market.....	17 65			3 00				45 00		142 40		225 00		30 00	
Great Choptank.....							4 00	7 50		15 00	15 00	350 00		175 09	57 10
Vienna.....	25 65	1 85	2 92				33 00	60 00		85 00	11 00	1,117 90	563 23	104 32	63 38
Chester.....	5 00				\$22 09	7 50	8 00	1 50	6 00	10 00	7 00	32 60	45 00		28 89
L. U.....					3 65			20 00		1 64		630 00		7 50	
North Kent.....	1 40	2 40	2 40				20 00	20 00	22 98	59 35	6 40	645 37	180 00	28 56	5 44
St. Paul's, Kent.....				1 50			20 00	15 00		4 75	27 64	800 00	45 00	45 00	81 70
Shrewsbury.....		7 00					12 50	15 00		5 25		840 00		6 50	96 10
Christ Church.....		11 13	11 12				8 00	15 00	29 35			749 39	582 76	48 51	7 85
St. Luke's, Q. A.....		2 44	13 75	5 79			33 00	60 00	5 00	169 19	39 74	1,166 48	78 80	53 80	367 18
St. Paul's, Q. A.....		2 44	2 43				8 00	10 00	5 00	25 00	27 00	581 86	40 50	21 14	31 55
Wye.....		6 79	10 90	2 00	7 25		8 00	15 00		50 41	3 87	438 63	178 03	23 15	44 06
Coventry.....								40 00		6 25		362 74	114 00		
Somersset.....										25 00		120 23	28 00		5 00
Wilmington.....	2 00						15 00	27 00	11 05	30 00	2 35	315 80	88 14		10 00
Pocomoke.....								23 25		11 65	6 74	1,100 00		27 50	
St. Michael's.....							40 00	25 00	40 93	248 70	49 17	1,593 07	358 40	164 64	201 05
St. Peter's.....	55 60	22 40		7 60	14 85		40 00	75 00		70 00	56 63	719 32	357 07	32 27	433 80
Whitemarsh.....	80 23	27 25		5 00	3 00		20 00	37 50		57 65		663 98	367 92	35 72	137 95
Cathedral.....	10 00						8 00	15 00	9 00	52 31	36 11	728 00		34 33	218 04
All Saints'.....	33 71	4 15		4 00		14 75	12 00	24 00	48 49	50 00		700 00	135 00	76 08	25 00
Miles River.....				6 29			20 00	30 00		110 00		1,258 00		60 00	625 00
Salisbury.....							5 00	18 75		46 50	1 63	266 74	40 00		
Spring Hill.....							9 20	18 00		34 57		775 00	8 50		
Steyney.....	19 45				2 45					59 31		579 91		15 23	
All Hallows'.....				4 93			12 00	22 50		59 31	8 94			43 54	28 87
Worcester.....	18 03	17 94	19 02		13 58										
St. Paul's by the Sea.....															
Totals.....	160 21 194 05 130 02			\$43 83	\$32 00	\$69 80	\$358 70	\$791 00	\$ 947 98	\$1755 13	\$ 481 12	\$22,287 28	\$ 5,304 79	\$ 1,185 01	\$ 3,103 46

Contributions for all purposes: General, \$629.50; Diocesan, \$4,533.93; Parochial, \$28,747.08; Other purposes, \$3,103.46; Total, \$36,813.97.

• These totals are taken from the reports of the Diocesan Treasurers.

TABLE III.—STABILITY OF RADIATION AND PROPERTY.

INVESTED FUND.		G.I.B.E.		INVESTED FUND.			
		No. Acres.	Value.		Value.	Investment.	Holdings.
St. Paul's by the Sea	\$1,500 00	2	\$1,500 00	2	\$1,500 00	2	1
St. Paul's	1,500 00	1	2,400 00	1	2,400 00	1	1
St. Peter's	5,000 00	3	7,000 00	3	7,000 00	3	1
St. John's	2,000 00	2	8,800 00	2	8,800 00	2	1
St. Andrew's	3,000 00	2	8,800 00	2	8,800 00	2	1
St. George's	3,000 00	1	4,000 00	1	4,000 00	1	1
St. James's	3,000 00	1	4,000 00	1	4,000 00	1	1
St. Michael's	1,000 00	2	4,000 00	2	4,000 00	2	1
St. Nicholas	2,000 00	1	1,000 00	1	1,000 00	1	1
St. Peter's	2,000 00	3	19,000 00	3	19,000 00	3	1
St. Paul's	1,500 00	1	400 00	1	400 00	1	1
St. Peter's	2,000 00	1	6,800 00	1	6,800 00	1	1
St. John's	2,000 00	1	3,300 00	1	3,300 00	1	1
St. Andrew's	2,000 00	2	6,000 00	2	6,000 00	2	1
St. George's	2,000 00	1	4,000 00	1	4,000 00	1	1
St. James's	2,000 00	1	6,000 00	1	6,000 00	1	1
St. Michael's	2,000 00	1	1,464 00	1	1,464 00	1	1
St. Nicholas	1,800 00	1	3,000 00	1	3,000 00	1	1
St. Peter's	2,400 00	2	7,700 00	2	7,700 00	2	1
St. Paul's	4,200 00	1	6,800 00	1	6,800 00	1	1
St. John's	1,200 00	2	2,000 00	2	2,000 00	2	1
St. Andrew's	1,000 00	3	4,000 00	3	4,000 00	3	1
St. George's	2,000 00	2	9,000 00	2	9,000 00	2	1
St. James's	1,500 00	1	1,500 00	1	1,500 00	1	1
St. Michael's	1,250 00	2	16,800 00	2	16,800 00	2	1
St. Nicholas	2,500 00	3	18,500 00	3	18,500 00	3	1
St. Peter's	4,000 00	1	4,700 00	1	4,700 00	1	1
St. Paul's	2,500 00	2	3,400 00	2	3,400 00	2	1
St. John's	3,000 00	2	9,700 00	2	9,700 00	2	1
St. Andrew's	1,800 00	1	10,000 00	1	10,000 00	1	1
St. George's	2,500 00	2	8,000 00	2	8,000 00	2	1
St. James's	1,200 00	3	6,000 00	3	6,000 00	3	1
St. Michael's	1,200 00	2	4,000 00	2	4,000 00	2	1
St. Nicholas	1,500 00	2	4,000 00	2	4,000 00	2	1
St. Peter's	1,500 00	1	1,500 00	1	1,500 00	1	1
St. Paul's	\$61,550 00	64	\$225,450 00	64	\$225,450 00	64	10,000
Totals	\$61,550 00	\$14,230 00	\$225,450 00	\$14,230 00	\$225,450 00	\$14,230 00	\$225,450 00

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In Memoriam.



Thomas L. Green.

BORN APRIL 3rd, 1812, IN QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MD.

ORDAINED DEACON, MARCH 16th, 1851.

ORDAINED PRIEST, JANUARY 9th, 1852.

OFFICIATED IN THE DIOCESE OF PENNSYLVANIA, 1854-5.

SOMETIME RECTOR OF ST. LUKE'S PARISH,
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY,

ENTERED INTO REST MAY 15th, 1886.

BURIED MAY 17th, IN ST. LUKE'S CHURCH YARD;
IN THE REAR OF THE CHANCEL OF THE CHURCH.



APPENDIX.

THE DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

22 BIBLE HOUSE, NEW YORK, Dec. 12th, 1885.

THE REV. J. A. MITCHELL,

*Sec'y of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton,
Centreville, Md.*

REV. AND DEAR SIR:—

In the absence of the General Secretary and by his request I have the honor to hand you enclosed, as directed by the resolution of the Board of Managers, a copy of the Minute adopted by that body at its meeting upon the 8th inst., expressive of their sorrow at the removal from his earthly labors of your late Bishop.

I am, with great respect,


Yours, very respectfully, JOSHUA KIMBER.

MINUTE UPON THE DEATH OF BISHOP LAY.

The Board of Managers desire to record upon their Minutes, their profound and unaffected sorrow at the removal from his earthly labors and from their Missionary Councils, of the Right Reverend Father in God, Henry Champlin Lay, the first Bishop of Easton.

They mourn in his departure the loss of one who, in his personal character as well as in his official position, was truly a Successor of the Apostles. Endowed with talents which in any calling would have placed him among the foremost of men,—of persuasive eloquence which made him equally happy and effective in addressing the most cultured or the most unlettered audience, of wise judgment, of primitive piety, of saintly abnegation of self, he was truly a Father to his Clergy, a pattern of godliness, and a bright example to the Church of God. A Missionary Bishop in fact though not in name, he bravely held aloft the Standard of the Cross and of the Church in one of our feeblest Dioceses, counting it his highest joy to spend and be spent in the cause of CHRIST. His published writings, full of wise counsels, marked by sound and vigorous thought, instinct with a deep spirituality, adorned by a poetic imagination and the grace of a chaste and attractive style, are a benefaction to the Church which will ever be remembered with gratitude.

While we cannot but deplore that his voice will no more be heard in our deliberations, that his benignant presence and saintly influence will be missed from



our gatherings, we offer our hearty thanks to Almighty God for the good example of His departed servant, together with our earnest prayers that we may be incited to greater diligence in making His way known upon earth, His saving health among all nations.

To his bereaved family and Diocese, we beg to offer the assurance of our most respectful sympathy.

Signed,

H. C. POTTER,

NEW YORK, *December 8th*, 1885.

THOMAS F. DAVIES.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

Since our last report to Convention various improvements have been made at the Home, among them the plastering and fitting up of the laundry, the laying of pavement in front and at the side of the building, and the planting of a hedge in front. The health of the inmates has been exceptionably good. Two girls have been placed at homes, and for one who came of age, a good place was secured. The number of children is now reduced to fourteen. Many efforts have been made to reach destitute children in various parts of the Diocese, but they have been unavailing, because of the unwillingness of friends to give them up until they are eighteen. We are very desirous to fill the Home to its utmost capacity and can accommodate ten or twelve more children.

A legacy of \$50 has been received by the will of a lady of Talbot County. The appropriation of \$2,000 from the Legislature was received last October and has been invested. The Sunday School class of Mrs. H. B. Martin of Wilmington, Delaware, have undertaken to clothe a child.

The donations at Thanksgiving were liberal but scarcely equal to those of former years. Annexed will be found a list of boxes, etc., received, and of Parishes wherein children are clothed.

All which is respectfully submitted,

E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH, *President.*

JOSIE P. DAWSON, *Cor. Secretary.*

LIST OF PROVISIONS, ETC., RECEIVED.

July—2 barrels flour, Mr. Holt of Hillsborough.

November—Dorchester Parish—1 box of groceries, flour, canned and dried fruit.

AT THANKSGIVING.

Vegetables and fruit from Trinity Cathedral.

From All Saints—a wagon load of poultry, bacon, groceries, dry goods, vegetables, soap and various other articles.

St. Peter's Parish—a quantity of vegetables.

St. Michael's Parish—poultry, vegetables, soap, fruit, canned tomatoes, 1 quarter beef, etc.

Wye Parish—poultry, groceries, vegetables, fruit, oysters, butter, etc.

Whitemarsh Parish—vegetables, fruit, flour, bacon, soap, etc.

St. Paul's Parish—groceries, flour, bacon, vegetables, poultry, books for children.
Wye Parish—1 barrel flour.

AT CHRISTMAS.

Box from Elkton—containing dry goods, soaps, oatmeal, groceries and other articles.

Wye Parish—6 chickens.

From Centreville—box of candy.

MAY.

Box of toys, for youngest child in the Home, from a gentleman in St. Stephen's Parish.

LIST OF PARISHES WHERE CHILDREN ARE CLOTHED.

Shrewsbury Parish, Chester Parish, Princess Anne, North Sassafras Parish, Salisbury, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's Co., Sunday School of Chestertown, Kent Co., Whitmarsh Parish—each clothes one child. Two ladies of Wye Parish, one child. Christ Church Guild, Denton, Miles River Parish, a lady of St. Michael's, Sunday School Class of Mrs. H. B. Martin of Wilmington, Delaware—each one child.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

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" J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer*.

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Mrs. I. C. W. POWELL, *Recording Secretary*.

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REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN

in account with Mrs. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM PARISHES.

CECIL COUNTY.

N. Sassafras Parish, St. Stephen's Church,	\$22 20	
Trinity Church, Elkton,	11 32	
Augustine Parish,	1 05	
Total from Cecil County,	—	\$34 57

KENT COUNTY.

Shrewsbury Parish,	\$23 24	
Chester Parish, Chestertown,	11 00	
St. Paul's Parish,	6 40	
I. U. Parish,	6 00	
Total from Kent County,	—	46

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. Mary's Whitechapel,	\$3 50	
Total from Caroline County,	—	3

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish, Centreville,	\$34 74	
Wye Parish,	28 00	
St. Luke's Parish, Church Hill,	5 28	
Total from Queen Anne's County,	—	68

TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ Church, St. Peter's Parish, Easton,	\$90 17	
Whitemarsh Parish,	56 63	
Christ Church, St. Michael's Parish,	6 14	
Miles River Parish,	3 75	
All Saints' Church,	66 11	
Trinity Cathedral,	33 00	
In Easton and vicinity,	24 50	
Total from Talbot County,	—	280

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

East New Market Parish,	\$2 00	
Great Choptank Parish,	15 00	
St. John's Chapel,	2 00	
Dorchester Parish,	6 00	
Total from Dorchester County,	—	25

SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry Parish,	\$5 00	
Total from Somerset County,	—	5

Amount carried forward,

\$463

1886.]

Appendix.

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		Amount brought forward.....	\$463 03
WORCESTER COUNTY.			
Pocomoke Parish.....	\$2 25		
Worcester Parish, Berlin.....	8 94		
All Hallows' Parish.....	1 02		
Total from Worcester County.....		12 21	
WICOMICO COUNTY.			
Spring Hill Parish.....	\$5 88		
Total from Wicomico County.....		5 88	
Total Contributions from Parishes.....		\$481 12	
Interest on Investments.....	\$711 01		
Appropriation from the Legislature..	2,000 00		
From Friends in Virginia.....	2 00		
Legacy left by Miss Eleanora Goldsborough.....	50 00		
Board for Matron's Mother.....	80 00		
Board for Miss Bates, (former Matron).....	16 00		
Money received for one of the children for service rendered after leaving the "Home.".....	50 00		
Miscellaneous.....	13 75		
Borrowed from Bank.....	193 87		
Balance in Bank, June, 1885.....	171 19		
Total receipts.....		\$3,768 94	
EXPENDITURES.			
Matron's Salary.....	\$233 33		
Assistant Matron.....	156 25		
Supplies.....	559 60		
Paid Matron for contingencies.....	55 00		
Fuel.....	125 65		
Medicine.....	17 80		
School books and stationery.....	35 56		
Pavement, Laundry and Repairs.....	160 41		
Clothing.....	172 46		
Paid two of the children, (their money) for services rendered after leaving the "Home.".....	85 42		
Attention to children's teeth.....	21 50		
Set of Furniture.....	35 00		
Miscellaneous.....	53 40		
Hedge of California Privet.....	18 25		
Total spent.....	\$1,729 63		
INVESTMENTS.			
Loaned on Mortgage.....	\$2,000 00		
Balance in Bank.....	39 31		
		\$3,768 94	

EASTON, May 27, 1886. MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer.*

The following contributions will be included in the next Report. St. Michael's Parish, \$6.25; Coventry Parish, \$3.87.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, *in*
account with THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1885.	June 15.	To cash and checks of Chairman of Committee.	\$548 30
	June 24.	To check of R. H. Murphy on account of Shrewsbury Parish.....	20 00
	Dec. 21.	To check of Geo. R. Goldsborough.....	65 00
		Balance due Treasurer.....	60 43

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1885.	June 17.	To cash paid Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, per voucher No. 1.....	\$ 60 00
	July 6.	To cash paid F. W. Hilliard, per voucher No. 2,	5 79
	Aug. 29.	" " W. K. Boyle & Son, " " 3,	217 50
	Aug. 29.	" " Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, " " 4,	23 31
	Sept. 29.	" " J. O. Barton, " " 5,	12 10
	Oct. 3.	" " Mrs. E. W. Lay, " " 6,	83 33
	Oct. 6.	" " Lord & Thomas " " 7,	15 39
	Nov. 19.	" " Rev. J. A. Mitchell, " " 8,	2 98
	Dec. 2.	" " G. W. Minnick & Son, " " 9,	2 20
	Dec. 22.	" " Sexton at Cambridge. " " 10,	10 00
	Dec. 24.	" " Sexton at Easton, " " 11,	10 00
	Dec. 24.	" " Rev. Dr. T. P. Barber, " " 12,	13 00
1886.	Jan. 2.	" " Rev. Dr. T. P. Barber, " " 13,	23 00
	Jan. 9.	" " S. C. Roberts, " " 14,	3 25
	Feb. 10.	" " Rev. T. P. Barber, " " 15,	10 00
	Mar. 29.	" " A. G. Sherwood, " " 16,	35 00
	Mar. 29.	" " Wm. K. Boyle & Son, " " 17,	97 50
	May 29.	" " Rev. J. A. Mitchell, " " 18,	31 24
		Balance due Treasurer per last Report	38 34
			<hr/>
			\$693 93 \$693 93

Respectfully submitted.

TREASURER OF TRUST FUND *in account with* STEPNEY PARISH.

	Amount to credit Stepney Parish, 1885.	\$125 42
	Interest to June 1st to July 14th, 1885.....	58
July 14.	To amount of Trust Fund paid F. B. Adkins..	\$126 00
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		\$126 00 \$126 00

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND, WITH
THE TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF THE ACCOUNT.

1885. RECEIPTS.

Aug. 26.	From sale of \$12,500 R. Rd. and other Bonds, as follows:	
	\$1,000 W. Md. R. Rd. Bond.....	\$1,110 00
	2,000 B. & Ohio R. Rd. Bond.....	2,045 00
	500 Wil., Col. & Aug. R. Rd. Bond.	578 13
	1,000 Pitts. & Conn. R. Rd. Bond.....	1,225 00
	1,000 Va. Midland R. Rd. Bond.....	1,007 50
	5,000 Cin., Wash. & Balt. Bond.....	5,056 25
	1,000 Con. Gas Co. Bond.....	1,065 00
	1,000 Norfolk Water Bond.....	1,280 00
		<hr/> \$13,366 88
1885-'86.	From Interest and Dividends, and the extra assessment.....	2,183 16
	Balances, Principal and Interest reported last year.....	1,345 98
		<hr/> \$16,896 02

1885. DISBURSEMENTS.

July 1.	Cash paid salary of the Bishop.....	\$625 00
Aug. 31.	" " Taxes	144 05
" 31.	" " Commissions for sales.....	18 75
		<hr/> \$ 787 80

INVESTMENTS.

Aug. & Sept.	In Loans secured by Mortgage.....	12,500 00
	Balance for Investment.....	3,608 22
		<hr/> \$16,896 02

EASTON, *June 1st*, 1886.

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer*.

The above account of the Treasurer, stated in simple form, shows that twelve thousand five hundred dollars of the securities of the Episcopal Fund have been sold for the sum of thirteen thousand three hundred and sixty-six, about \$850 above par and cost,—of which proceeds \$12,500 have been loaned upon mortgage, on good and productive real estate in Talbot County. The balance of over three thousand dollars it is the purpose to invest in like manner, as opportunity offers for desirable loans, with due regard to safety and punctuality as of the utmost importance, to ensure prompt and regular payment of salary. The parting with valuable stocks, paying a high rate of interest and so easily managed, has not been without regret; but a growing desire has been evident to convert them into something deemed more secure under changing circumstances. Beside this prudent and proper consideration, the Trustees, too, felt that most of them had become too high to hold longer in their entirety, with the liability to decline by various causes. A list of the remaining stocks and other assets now composing this Fund is herewith detailed for the information of the Convention, attested by

the Resident Finance Committee, who certify that they examined the same at the bank in Easton, there kept in the safe deposit box, finding them accurately listed as described.

It will be seen that there remain \$17,925 of the stocks, bonds, and notes, last reported; and there are now \$19,500 in mortgages—aggregating \$37,425. Add the balance on hand of \$3,608.22, and we have the amount of \$41,033.22 as the assets of the Episcopal Fund.

Here we have in view the fruition of cherished hopes—a permanent Episcopal Endowment. With this satisfaction, in which all have a share and may well rejoice, the Report is respectfully submitted by the Trustees.

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND.

1885. June 1. Cash on hand as per last report..... \$456 93

CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS RECEIVED SINCE LAST REPORT:

June 3,	From St. Michael's Parish	13 70
" 4,	" St. Mary Anne's Parish.....	7 65
" 4,	" North Sassafras Parish.....	15 00
" 4,	" Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	6 54
" 4,	" Augustine Parish.....	1 00
" 4,	" Worcester Parish.....	4 63
" 4,	" St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	3 50
" 4,	" Coventry Parish.....	3 41
" 4,	" Whitemarsh Parish, (additional to former offering)	75
Oct. 2,	" St. Mary Anne's Parish.....	5 00
" 2,	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	6 54
" 19,	" Payment of two notes and interest to date.....	961 46
Dec. 30,	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	9 06
1886. Jan'y 6,	" Individual offering.....	25 00
Mar. 17,	" North Sassafras Parish	20 00
April 26,	" Trinity Cathedral.....	2 00
" 26,	" St. Peter's Parish.....	40 93
" 29,	" All Saint's Parish.....	32 00
May 6,	" St. Michael's Sunday School.....	15 33
" 29,	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	7 48
	" August and February Dividends on M. H. A. Stock,	60 00
	" Interest on notes to date.....	147 00

Making total receipts.....\$1,844 91

From which deduct \$1,500 invested Dec. 1st, 1885..... 1,500 00

Leaves balance in my hands, May 31st, 1886..... 344 91

\$1,844 91

Generally throughout the Diocese the offerings on Whit-Sunday are set apart for the Clergy Relief Fund, and the fact that this day occurs *after* the Meeting of our Convention of the present year, accounts for the small number of Parishes included in this Report as contributors to this Fund; which makes the increment thereto appear less than would doubtless be the case for the past year, but for the exceptionally late occurrence of Whit-Sunday.

THE CLERGY RELIEF FUND IS INVESTED AS FOLLOWS:

In Masonic Hall Association Stock, at par.....	\$ 1,200 00
In six per cent. loans, secured by good notes.....	3,200 00
In cash balance in my hands.....	344 91

Making the sum total, to date.....\$ 4,744 91

Being an increase of \$947 98 the past year.

EASTON, May 31st, 1886.

EDM'D L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

To Deficit last year, brought forward..... \$ 73 29

TO CASH PAID DRAFTS, AS FOLLOWS:—

July 1st, 1885.—St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	\$300 00	
St. John's, Caroline “	100 00	
St. Luke's “	100 00	
I. U. “	150 00	
East New Market “	166 67	
Dorchester “	250 00	
Coventry “	200 00	
Spring Hill and Stepney “	200 00	
St. James Church, Port Deposit.....	100 00	
April 1st, 1886.—Augustine Parish.....	100 00	
	\$1,739 96	
Balance carried forward.....	\$ 15 17	
		\$1,755 13
June 19th, 1886.—By Cash from Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	\$ 71 22	
“ “ Augustine Parish.....	4 10	
“ “ North Sassafras Parish.....	50 00	
“ “ St. Mary Ann's “	51 72	
“ “ Chester “	83 40	
“ “ Shrewsbury “	59 35	
“ “ I. U. “	10 00	
“ “ St. Paul's (Q. A.) “	160 44	
Amounts carried forward.....	\$490 23	\$1,755 13

		Amounts brought forward.....	\$490 23	\$1,755 13
June 19th, 1885.	—By	Cash from St. Luke's Parish.....	29 35	
	"	" Wye "	25 00	
	"	" All Saints' "	53 47	
	"	" Miles River "	50 00	
	"	" St. Michael's "	11 65	
	"	" St. Peter's "	248 70	
	"	" Whitmarsh "	70 25	
	"	" Trinity Cathedral.....	57 65	
	"	" St. Mary's Whitechapel Par'h	30 50	
	"	" St. John's, Caroline Parish.,	6 00	
	"	" Great Choptank Parish	142 40	
	"	" Dorchester "	30 00	
	"	" East New Market "	26 98	
	"	" Vienna "	15 00	
	"	" Spring Hill "	46 50	
	"	" Stepney "	18 75	
	"	" Wicomico "	24 00	
	"	" Worcester "	59 31	
	"	" Coventry "	51 41	
	"	" Pocomoke "	30 00	
	"	" All Hallows' "	27 59	
	"	" Rev. J. W. Nott.....	4 00	
	"	" Rev. Dr. Huntington.....	15 00	
May 31st, 1886.—	"	" Mrs. A. C. Maffett.....	12 00	
June 2nd, 1886.—	"	" North Kent Parish.....	1 64	
	"	" Somerset "	31 25	
	"	" Salisbury "	110 00	
	"	" Lay Delegate Contributions.	36 50	
			—————	\$1,755 13

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer*.

PLEDGES FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS,
FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

PARISHES.		PARISHES.	
Augustine.....	\$10 00	Coventry.....	\$35 00
Sassafras.....	50 00	Somerset.....	50 00
Wye.....	65 00	Wicomico.....	25 00
James' Church.....	25 00	Pocomoke.....	30 00
Westminster.....	30 00	St. Peter's.....	187 00
New Market.....	30 00	Whitemarsh.....	70 00
Choptank.....	140 00	Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
St. Paul's.....	80 00	All Saints'.....	50 00
.....	5 00	Miles River.....	50 00
Kent.....	10 00	Salisbury.....	70 00
Salisbury.....	60 00	Spring Hill.....	50 00
St. James' Church.....	20 00	Stepney.....	35 00
St. James', Q. A. Co.....	50 00	All Hallows'.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Q. A. Co.....	150 00	Worcester.....	50 00
.....	25 00	St. Paul's by the Sea.....	10 00
			<hr/>
			\$1,622 00

CASH PAID TO TREASURER OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS,
TO PAY DEFICIENCY FOR LAST YEAR.

PARISHES.		PARISHES.	
St. James' Church.....	\$5 00	St. James' Church.....	\$2 00
.....	2 00	All Hallows'.....	2 00
Choptank.....	4 00	Pocomoke.....	2 00
Whitemarsh.....	2 00	St. Paul's, Q. A. Co.....	2 00
All Saints'.....	2 50	North Kent.....	2 00
St. Peter's.....	2 00	North Elk.....	2 00
St. James', Q. A. Co.....	2 00	North Sassafras.....	2 00
St. Paul's, Kent Co.....	2 00	Christ Church.....	2 00
Westminster.....	2 00	Wye.....	2 00
Salisbury.....	2 00		<hr/>
			\$43 50



DIOCESE OF EASTON.

ADJOURNED SESSION,

HELD IN

St. Peter's Church, Salisbury,

AUGUST 26TH, 1886.



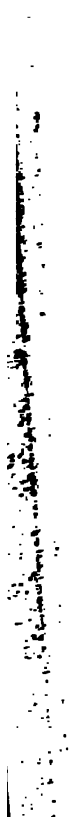
LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, AUGUST 26, 1886.

.. Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in the Convention, and those marked with an * did not attend its adjourned Session.

The Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.....	Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
" " *GEORGE F. BEAVEN,	Rector of St. John's Parish.
" " JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.	
" " * <i>Joseph F. Wattson</i>	Residing at Kingston, N. Y.
" " JOHN O. BARTON, D. D.....	Rector Emeritus of Somerset Parish.
" " JAMES A. MITCHELL.....	Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
" " *JOHN MARTIN.....	Officiating in I. U. Parish.
" " *E. J. STEARNS, D. D.....	Examining Chaplain.
" " STEPHEN C. ROBERTS.....	Rector of Chester Parish.
" " LEWIS WALKER.....	Rector of North Sassafras Parish.
" " E. K. MILLER.....	Rector of North Elk Parish.
" " PHILIP D. THOMPSON.....	Rector of Christ Church Parish.
" " W. Y. BEAVEN.....	Rector of All Saints' Parish.
" " W. WALLACE GREEN.....	Rector of Dorchester Parish.
" " FRANCIS W. HILLIARD.....	Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
" " ALBERT R. WALKER.....	Rector-Elect of Shrewsbury Parish.
" " WILLIAM SCHOULER.....	Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.
" " ALBERT WARE.....	Rector of Wye Parish.
" " SAMUEL D. HALL.....	Rector of St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.
" " ALGERNON BATTE.....	Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
" " F. B. ADKINS, Rector of Spring Hill, Stepney and Wicomico Parishes.	
" " HENRY WALL, D. D.....	Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Kent Co.
" " * <i>W. H. Phillips</i>	Residing at Millersville, Md.
" " OLIVER H. MURPHY.....	Rector of Coventry Parish.
" " GEORGE W. BOWNE.....	Rector of Salisbury Parish.
" " JOHN R. JOYNER.....	Rector of Worcester Parish.
" " CHARLES E. BUCK.....	Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
" " JOHN W. CHESLEY.....	Rector of Miles River Parish.
" " J. PLEASANTON DUHAMEL, D. D.	Rector of St. Luke's Parish.
" " *WILLIAM BRITAIN.....	Rector of North Kent Parish.
" " * <i>Jacob Miller</i>	Rector of St. James' Church.
" " <i>Henry B. Martin, M. D</i>	Rector of Somerset Parish.
" " * <i>Ernest McGill</i>	Rector of St. Michael's Parish.

In all, 32 Priests and 1 Deacon.

NOTE.—The Rev. ELIJAH J. ROKE is Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes; not yet transferred by letter dimissory.



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JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

ADJOURNED SESSION.

adjourned meeting of the Eighteenth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Easton, held, pursuant to a call by the President, in St. Peter's Church, Salisbury, August 26th, 1886.

7.30 A. M., the Holy Communion was celebrated by the President, assisted by the Rev. F. B. Adkins.

10.30 A. M., the Convention was opened. The Rev. Wm. Miller said Morning Prayer; the lessons being read by the Rev. F. B. Adkins, and the Rev. O. H. Murphy. The Nicene Creed and the Ten Commandments were said by the Rev. W. Y. Beaven. The Antiphon was said by the Rev. James A. Mitchell, the Rev. P. Barber, D. D., reading the Gospel. The opening sermon was preached by the Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector of North Salisbury, from I Cor., iii, 9.

After Divine Service, the President called the Convention to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following clergy answered to their names:

v. F. B. Adkins.	The Rev. F. W. Hilliard.
“ Theo. P. Barber, D. D.	“ “ John R. Joyner.
“ Algernon Batte.	“ “ E. K. Miller.
“ John O. Barton, D. D.	“ “ Jas. A. Mitchell.
“ W. Y. Beaven.	“ “ O. H. Murphy.
“ James L. Bryan, M. D.	“ “ Stephen C. Roberts.
“ George W. Bowne.	“ “ Wm. Schouler.
“ Charles E. Buck.	“ “ P. D. Thompson.
“ John W. Chesley.	“ “ Lewis Walke.
“ J. P. DuHamel, D. D.	“ “ A. R. Walker.
“ W. W. Greene.	“ “ Henry Wall, D. D.
“ S. D. Hall.	“ “ Albert Ware.—24.

The Secretary then called the roll of Lay Delegates, the following answering to their names :

Messrs. James A. Pearce, Chancellor.

T. S. Reynolds, M. D.
Charles Stevens.
David P. Davis.
R. C. Mackall, M. D.
J. A. B. Martin.
Isaac H. Wright.
Thomas H. Williams, M. D.
Henry Lloyd.
Eugene Hodson, M. D.
Wm. S. Walker.
E. S. Valliant.
Edwin H. Brown.
Chas. Tilghman.

Messrs. Baldwin Hufty.

Wm. H. Gale, M. D.
D. W. Jones, M. D.
C. C. Lloyd.
I. L. Adkins, M. D.
Joseph B. Seth.
H. E. Bateman.
George R. Goldsborough.
I. S. Adams.
Albert L. Jones.
Geo. D. Walter.
E. S. Dashiell, M. D.
John R. Purnell.
J. A. Fields.—28.

During the Session, Mr. John C. Adams, Lay Delegate from St. Michael's appeared, and took his seat, making the number of Lay Delegates present, 29.

There were present the Rev. Henry B. Martin, M. D., and the Rev. Elijah J. Roke of this Diocese, but not entitled to seats; and from the Diocese of Maryland, the Rev. George A. Leakin, and the Rev. J. S. Miller, and from the Diocese of Delaware, the Rev. Edward Wootten, as visiting Clergy.

There being a majority of both orders present, the President announced that the Convention was organized, and ready for business.

The President announced that the same Committees as previously appointed, would continue to serve, viz:

On the Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Messrs. Bryan, Hall and Batte.

On Elections.—Messrs. Gale, Purnell and Hebron.

Mr. Hebron not being present, the President substituted the name of Mr. J. B. Seth.

On motion of Mr. J. B. Seth, it was

Resolved, That those persons presented as substitutes for the regular delegates, be admitted to the Convention without reference to the Committee on Elections.

Messrs. Henry Lloyd, from Great Choptank Parish, E. H. Brown, from St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County, and D. W. Jones, from Wicomico Parish, were thereupon admitted as entitled to seats.

The Secretary read the following letter from the Rev. Dr. Nelson, elected Bishop of the Diocese at the previous session of this body.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF VIRGINIA,
June 16th, 1886.

Rev. Messrs. T. P. BARBER, D. D., *President*, and

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Secretary*,

of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton.

GENTLEMEN:

After all the prayerful consideration which I am capable of giving to so grave a subject, I find myself unable to accept the high and holy office to which your Diocese has invited me. With a full appreciation of the claims which the Church has upon her Clergy to fill her vacant offices, of the circumstances attending my election, of the great responsibility of my decision, in the fear of God, and as I trust, under the guidance of His Spirit, I must decline the Episcopate of the Diocese of Easton.

I do this with great reluctance, in view of the hearty greeting I received, and the loyal love and friendship I was offered at my recent visit to your Diocese.

With the earnest prayer that God may guide your Convention to the choice of some one far more worthy than myself to be your chief pastor, and with great respect for yourselves,

I remain, gentlemen,

most sincerely,

Your friend and brother in Christ and His Church.

KINLOCH NELSON.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barton, it was

Resolved, That after suitable devotions, before voting the Canonical testimonials to be signed by the Clergy and Laity, be read by the Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. DuHamel moved that we now proceed to the election.

The President appointed as tellers for the clerical vote, the Rev. Messrs. Bowne and Buck; and for the lay vote, Messrs. Seth and Brown.

After silent devotion and Collects by the President, the Secretary read the Canonical testimonials, and the Convention proceeded to the election.

Nominations being in order, the Rev. G. W. Bowne, of St. Peter's Church, Salisbury, nominated the

Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D. D., D. C. L., Rector of St. James' Church, Lancaster, Pa.

The Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., of St. Paul's, Kent, nominated the

Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, Md.

The Rev. Jas. L. Bryan, M. D., of Christ Church, Cambridge, nominated the

Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector of Great Choptank Parish.

The Hon. James A. Pearce, Chancellor of the Diocese, nominated the

Rev. Alexander J. Drysdale, Rector of Christ Church, New Orleans, La.

Mr. E. H. Brown, lay delegate from St. Paul's, Queen Anne's County, seconded the nomination of the Rev. Dr. Fair, and the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., seconded the nomination of the Rev. Mr. Drysdale.

The Secretary called the roll of clerical and lay delegates, and the tellers retired.

During the absence of the tellers, the President called attention to vacancies in two Committees.

On motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, the Rev. John O. Barton, D. D., was elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Clergy Relief Fund.

On motion of Mr. I. L. Adkins, the Rev. James A. Mitchell was elected to fill the vacancy in the Board of Managers of the Trust Fund of the Diocese.

The tellers returned and reported as the result of the first ballot:

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 23. Necessary to a choice 12.	
Lay vote. " " " 28.	15.
	Clerical. Lay.
The Rev. Dr. Knight.....	1 2
" " Dr. Fair.....	9 11
" " Dr. Barber.....	2 5
" " Mr. Drysdale.....	7 9
" " Mr. Hilliard.....	3 ...
" " Mr. Batte.....	1 1
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There being no election, the Convention proceeded to a second ballot. The tellers announced the result:

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 23. Necessary to a choice 12.	
Lay vote. " " " 28. " " " 15.	
	Clerical. Lay.
The Rev. Dr. Fair.....	10 12
" " Dr. Barber.....	1 3
" " Mr. Drysdale.....	12 12
" " Mr. Mitchell.	1 1

There was no election.

The Convention proceeded to a third ballot. The Rev. Dr. Barber withdrew his name. The Secretary called the roll, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

Pending the result, on motion of the Secretary, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund be allowed to amend the report presented to the previous Session of this Body, and that it be printed as amended, in the proceedings of this Session. (*See Appendix, No. II.*)

The tellers returned and announced as the result of the third ballot:

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 24. Necessary to a choice 13.	
Lay vote. " " " 29. " " " 15.	
	Clerical. Lay.
The Rev. Dr. Fair.....	10 14
" " Mr. Drysdale.....	13 15
Blank.	1

The President announced that the Rev. Alexander J. Drysdale, having received a majority of the votes of the Clergy, and a majority of the votes of the Laity, is duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

On motion of Mr. J. B. Seth, the election was made unanimous.

On motion of Mr. Gale, the Convention adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 3 o'clock. The President called the Convention to order. The Clergy and Laity present proceeded to sign the testimonials of the Bishop-Elect.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Walker, the President and Secretary were appointed to officially announce to the Rev. Mr. Drysdale, his election as Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, from the Committee on the Episcopal Residence, presented a report signed by a majority of the Committee.

Mr. I. L. Adkins presented a minority report on behalf of himself and Rev. Mr. Buck.

After some discussion, Mr. H. E. Bateman moved that the Committee be enlarged by the addition of one more member, and that member be the Chancellor.

Mr. I. L. Adkins moved as an amendment, that the Committee be enlarged by the addition of two members, besides the Chancellor. Messrs. E. H. Brown and T. S. Reynolds.

Being put to vote, the amendment was adopted. The original motion was then voted on and adopted, constituting the Committee on the Episcopal Residence as follows:

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Chairman, the Rev. Messrs. J. A. Mitchell, and Chas. E. Buck, and Messrs. I. L. Adkins, H. E. Bateman, Geo. R. Goldsborough, James A. Pearce, Edwin H. Brown and T. S. Reynolds.

On motion of Mr. Seth, the report was then referred back to the Committee.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Brown, it was

Resolved, That the Rectors are hereby requested to make efforts to obtain from their respective Parishes, their contribution toward the Bishop Lay Monument, and send the same to Mr. I. L. Adkins, Treasurer, by the 1st of October.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, it was

Resolved, That this Convention hereby expresses its sense of the loss sustained by the Church in this Diocese, in the recent removal by death of the late Dr.

Samuel E. Wills, a member of the Convention at its recent Session, after a long career of devout, self-denying and faithful service; and that a copy of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary to the family of the deceased, with the expression of our respectful and sincere sympathy.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. Schouler, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rev. President, for his dignified and impartial performance of the duties as presiding officer.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are heartily tendered to the Secretary for his faithful, efficient and courteous discharge of the duties of his office, and also to the Assistant Secretary for his efficient aid.

Ordered, That the sum of \$10 be paid to the Sexton of St. Peter's Church, for services during the Convention.

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby tendered to the P., W. & B. R. R. Company, and to the Steamboat Company, for kindness in providing reduced fare tickets for the members of this body.

On motion of Mr. J. B. Seth, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Choir, for their excellent music during the meeting of this Convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are due, and are hereby heartily tendered to the citizens of Salisbury, for their generous hospitality to the members of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. Buck, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the body be tendered the Rev. Lewis Walke, for the admirable Sermon delivered before this Convention.

On motion of Mr. R. C. Mackall, it was

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it shall adjourn subject to the call of the President.

On motion of Mr. I. L. Adkins, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to reimburse the Rev. Dr. Barber, for any expenses incurred as President of the Standing Committee during the interregnum.

on motion of Mr. I. L. Adkins, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to address the Rectors of delinquent churches and request payment of deficiencies in the Convention Fund.

After singing a hymn, and prayers by the President, on motion the Convention adjourned, subject to the call of the President.

THEO. P. BARBER,
President.

Wm. A. Mitchell,
Secretary.

Wm. S. T. [unclear]
Assistant Secretary.

APPENDIX, No. II.

Report of the Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund as amended.

Report of Bishop Peterkin, of visitation made since the meeting of the Convention in June.

PARKERSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA,
June 30th, 1886.

TO REV. DR. BARBER,
President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton.

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

I return this Report of the Visitation held in Dorchester and Caroline Counties at the request of your Standing Committee:

Saturday, June 26th.—In St. Stephen's Church, East New Market Parish, were
Confirmed 8
P. M.—In St. Paul's Church, Vienna Parish, Confirmed. 4
Sunday, June 27th.—In Trinity Church, Dorchester Parish, Confirmed. 5
P. M.—Service in St. John's Chapel, Great Choptank Parish.
Evening.—In Court House, Cambridge, Service, and Confirmed. 6
Monday, June 28th.—Federalburg, Caroline County—A. M.—Laid Corner-
Stone of a Chapel, and Confirmed. 10
P. M.—Christ Church, Denton, Service, and Confirmed. 5
Tuesday, June 29th.—In St. Paul's Church, St. John's Parish, Hillsborough,
Service, and Confirmed. 12
P. M.—Service in Holy Trinity, Greensborough.

There were Confirmed in all 50

I enjoyed my visit very much, and am glad that I could be of any service to the Diocese, and also help you in your difficult and responsible duties.

Faithfully your friend and Brother,

GEO. W. PETERKIN,
Bishop of the Diocese of West Virginia.

AMENDED REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31ST, 1886.

In my report, made on above date, and published in the Journal of the 1st Annual Convention held in June, 1886, there was left out an item that made an error of five hundred (\$500) dollars, caused by the omission to credit myself, at the time, with an investment of that amount, in a 6 per cent. loan, made June 20th, 1885, which omission is supplied and the error corrected in the following revised report,—authorized to be made, at the adjourned session of the Convention, held at Salisbury, August 20th ultimo, for publication in its proceedings.

REVISED REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND —
1885.

June 1. Cash on hand, as per last report, \$456 93

CONTRIBUTIONS AND PAYMENTS MADE SINCE LAST REPORT:

June	1.	From St. Michael's Parish.....	13 70
"	4.	" St. Mary Ann's Parish.....	7 65
"	4.	" North Sassafras Parish	15 00
"	4.	" Trinity Parish, Elkton.....	6 54
"	4.	" St. Augustine Parish.....	1 00
"	4.	" Worcester Parish.....	4 63
"	4.	" St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	3 50
"	4.	" Coventry Parish.....	3 41
"	4.	" Whitmarsh Parish, (additional to former offering)...	7 5
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"	4.	Amount on hand at this date.....	\$513 11
"	20.	Deduct 6 per cent. loan made on this date.....	500 00
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"	20.	Leaves balance on hand of.....	13 11
Oct.	2.	From St. Mary Ann's Parish.....	5 00
"	2.	" Shrewsbury Parish.....	6 54
"	19.	Payment of two notes and interest to date.....	961 46
Dec.	30.	From Shrewsbury Parish.....	9 06
1886.			
Jan'y	1.	" Individual offering.....	25 00
Mch.	17.	" North Sassafras Parish.....	20 00
Apr.	26.	" Trinity Cathedral.....	2 00
"	26.	" St. Peter's Parish.....	40 93
"	29.	" All Saints' Parish.....	32 00
May	6.	" St. Michael's Sunday School.....	15 33

Amount carried forward, \$1,130 43

	Amount brought forward.....	\$1,130 43
May 29.	From Shrewsbury Parish.....	7 48
	“ August and February dividends on M. H. A. stock....	60 00
“ 30.	“ Interest on loans to date.....	147 00
		<hr/>
“ 50.	Making amount on hand at this date.....	\$1,344 91
	Which deduct from 6 per cent. loan, made Dec. 1, 1885, of..	1,500 00
		<hr/>
	Leaves deficit in my hands May 31, 1886, of.....	\$155 09

Generally throughout the Diocese, the offerings on Whit-Sunday are set apart for the Clergy Relief Fund, and the fact that this day occurs *after* the meeting of our Convention of the present year accounts for the small number of Parishes included in this report as contributors to this Fund; which makes the increment hereto appear less than would doubtless be the case for the past year, but for the exceptionally late occurrence of Whit-Sunday.

The Clergy Relief Fund is invested as follows:

In Masonic Hall Association Stock, at par value.....	\$1,200 00
In Six per cent. Loans, secured by good notes.....	3,200 00
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Making total investments... ..	\$4,400 00
From which deduct deficit in my hands.....	155 09
	<hr/>
Leaves sum total of this Fund, May 31, 1886.....	\$4,244 91

Being an increase of \$447 98 the past year.

EDMUND L. F. HARDCASTLE,

EASTON, Sept. 1st, 1886.

Treasurer.

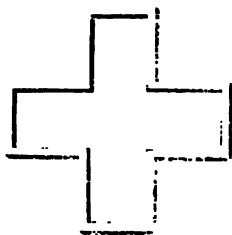


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Congregational Union of New England, New York, and New Jersey.

MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS.

NORTHERN.

REV. WM. SCHOULER, *Dean*.

Chesapeake City, Tuesday, November 15th: Chestertown, Tuesday, January 17th: North Elk Parish, Tuesday, May 8th.

MIDDLE.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D., *Dean*.

St. Michael's, Tuesday, November 8th: St. Mary's Whitechapel and Greensborough, Tuesday, December 6th: Whitmarsh, Tuesday, April 3rd.

SOUTHERN.

REV. F. W. HULLIARD, *Dean*.

Berlin, Tuesday, August 2nd: Fairmount, Tuesday, October 25th; Pocomoke City, April 24th.

GENERAL TREASURERS.

R. FULTON CUTTING, 22 Bible House, New York..... Foreign Missions.
W. B. CUTTING, 22 Bible House, New York..... Domestic Missions.
WILLIAM ALEXANDER SMITH, 58 Wall St., New York, General Clergy Relief.

DIOCESAN TREASURERS.

Remittances for Diocesan purposes may be made directly to the several Treasurers, the Post Office of all of them being EASTON, MARYLAND. These are:

THOMAS HUGHLETT.....	Treasurer of Convention.
ISAAC L. ADKINS.....	" Episcopal Fund.
ISAAC L. ADKINS.....	" Diocesan Missions.
E. L. F. HARDCASTLE.....	" Clergy Relief.
MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE.	" Home for Friendless Children.

HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN.

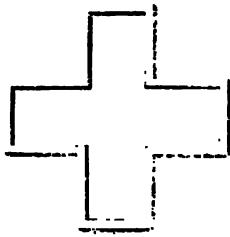
Application for admission to the Home for Friendless Children must be made in writing to the President of the Board, MRS. GEORGE R. GOLDSBOROUGH, or to the Corresponding Secretary, Miss JOSIE P. DAWSON, Easton, Talbot County, Md.

Boxes of supplies should be marked with the name of the Parish, and directed to the "Home for Friendless Children, Easton, Md."

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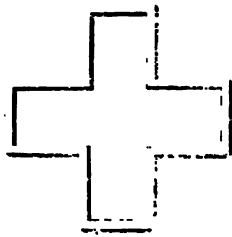
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Congregatio etiam ad hoc, et ad illud, quod per nos.

Messrs. Charles Stevens.
 R. C. Mackall, M. D.
 Isaac H. Wright.
 Thos. H. Williams, M. D.
 Henry Lloyd.
 Eugene Hodson, M. D.
 William S. Walker.
 E. S. Valliant.
 Edwin H. Brown.
 Charles Tilghman.
 H. P. Dashiell.
 I. L. Adkins, M. D.
 Joseph B. Seth.

John C. Adams.
 T. K. Robson.
 Geo. R. Goldsborough.
 I. S. Adams.
 E. S. Dashiell, M. D.
 J. A. Fields.
 Henry S. Coudon.
 J. Charles Wheatley.
 E. C. Legg.
 W. E. Jones.
 D. C. Trimble.
 Jas. A. Pearce, Chancellor.—25.

The President announced that a quorum of both orders being present, the Convention was organized and ready for business.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell it was

Resolved, That a Committee composed of one Clergyman and two Laymen be appointed to draft resolutions on the death of the Rev. A. I. Drysdale, elected Bishop of this Diocese at the last adjourned Session of this Body.

The President appointed as such Committee the Rev. A. R. Walker, and Messrs. J. A. Pearce and J. B. Seth.

The Committee on Elections reported Mr. H. P. Dashiell, elected as delegate from Somerset Parish, entitled to a seat.

On motion of the Rev. J. L. Bryan, the Treasurer of the Convention was authorized to pay the expenses of the Delegates to the General Convention in advance.

Mr. R. C. Mackall moved that after suitable devotions and the reading of the Canonical Testimonials of the Bishop-elect, the Convention proceed to the election of a Bishop.

The motion was adopted, and after reading of the Testimonials by the Secretary, and silent devotions, and suitable collects by the President, the Convention proceeded to the election.

Nominations being in order, the Rev. E. J. Stearns, D. D., nominated the

Rev. A. W. Seabreeze, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Flint, Michigan.

The Rev. A. R. Walker, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish, nominated the

Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. J. B. Seth and Mr. E. H. Brown, seconded this nomination.

The Rev. William Schouler, Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes, Cecil County, nominated the

Rev. Henry A. Coit, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H.

The Rev. J. L. Bryan seconded this nomination.

On motion of Mr. Fields, the Convention proceeded to ballot.

The President appointed as tellers for the Clerical vote the Rev. Messrs. Bowne and Buck, and for the Lay vote, Messrs. Seth and Brown.

The Secretary called the roll, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The tellers reported the first ballot as follows:

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 24. Necessary to a choice 13.									
Lay vote.		"	"	"	"	25.	"	"	13.
								Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. Dr. Coit.....								14	11
" " Dr. Fair.....								9	13
" " Mr. Seabrease.....								1	...
" " Mr. Mitchell.....								...	1

There was no election.

On motion of Mr. Fields, the Convention then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention assembled at 4.30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President, and opened with prayer.

The Rev. Mr. Walker, from the Committee appointed to draft resolutions on the decease of the Rev. Mr. Drysdale, reported as follows:-

The Committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of our sorrow at the decease of the Rev. A. I. Drysdale, Bishop-elect of this Diocese, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention has received with deep sorrow the information of the sudden death, so soon after his election, of the Rev. A. I. Drysdale, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Easton.

... to the godly life, high ability, and ... from the highest sources in ... gives assurance that in his ... less than him upon whom the ... recognizes in his sudden death the chas- ... Providence, and though we can- ... response to the call, we cherish his ... to the Church at large than to ... preside. ... be entered upon the memorial page of ... be sent to the family of the deceased.

ALBERT R. WALKER,
J. A. PEARCE,
JOSEPH B. SETH.

... the resolutions be adopted by a ... imously adopted. ... to ballot. The Secretary called ... the second ballot as follows:

... 24. Necessary to a choice 13.
... 25. " " " " 13.
Clerical. Lay.
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... Missionary Bishop of Northern Calif.

... the following result.

... 24. Necessary to a choice 13.
... 25. " " " " 13.
Clerical. Lay.
... 8 8
... 9 13
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... with ballot was taken as follows:



	Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. Dr. Coit.....	7	7
" " Dr. Fair.....	9	12
Bishop Wingfield.....	7	6
The Rev. Mr. Seabrease.....	1	..

There was no election.

Mr. Seth moved that all other nominations being withdrawn, the Convention unite on the name of Bishop Wingfield. The fifth ballot was then taken, which resulted as follows:

Clerical vote.—Whole number of votes 34. Necessary to a choice 13.
Lay vote. " " " " 25. " " " 13.

	Clerical.	Lay.
Bishop Wingfield.....	19	23
The Rev. Dr. Fair.....	4	...
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The President announced that the Rt. Rev. John H. D. Wingfield, LL. D., having received a majority of the votes of the clergy, and a majority of the votes of the laity, is duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at 7.30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

At 7.30 the Convention re-assembled.

On motion of Mr. Adkins, the President and Secretary of the Convention were authorized to inform the Rt. Rev. Dr. Wingfield of his election to the Diocese of Easton.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Treasurer was authorized to pay five dollars to the Sexton of this Church.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the Reverend President for the able, impartial and courteous manner in which he has again discharged the arduous duties of his office.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to the Choir of St. Paul's Church, for the admirable music which they have provided.

On motion of Mr. J. A. Pearce, it was

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DECLINATION OF BISHOP WINGFIELD.

ST. AUGUSTINE COLLEGE,

BENICIA, CAL., October 19th, 1886.

To the Rev. THEO. P. BARBER, D. D.,
President of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton.

The Rev. J. A. MITCHELL, *Secretary of the Convention.*

My Dear and Reverend Brethren:

On my return to Benicia on the 4th inst., I found a telegram from the Secretary announcing my election to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Easton. I replied immediately, by wire, "A thousand thanks for the honor. *Dolemus sed non possumus.*"

Yesterday, on my return again to Benicia, I found your written communication of the 1st inst., which had been received at my home on the 13th, last Wednesday.

Permit me to express again through you to the Convention, my high appreciation of the honor which you have assured me as coming "with earnest prayer and ardent hope from the entire Diocese, that under the guidance of God the Holy Ghost, I may be moved to a favorable response."

To repeat a negative reply to such a cordial appeal, you must know to be painful to me, and yet my dear Brethren, glad as I may be to spend the rest of my days in walking in the footsteps of your late Chief Shepherd, and ministering to his beloved flock, still I am constrained to tell you frankly that after earnest prayer for guidance, I do not feel it my duty to abandon the work here in Northern California which has received my unceasing care, and attention during the past twelve years, the best years of my life.

If the path of duty were perfectly clear to accept your election, no consideration could hinder me from coming to you without delay,—rejoicing in the prospect of being a Bishop to such a congenial, refined, and loving people, as I know would be the fold of my pasture.

Trusting you will accept my sincere regrets at the necessity of sending a negative response to your very kind and cordial invitation, and praying that the Great Bishop and Shepherd of souls may soon send you such a Bishop as may be best adapted to the needs of your beloved people; I beg with sincere humility to subscribe myself as your obedient Servant, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Church for which He shed His most precious Blood.

J. H. D. WINGFIELD,

[SEAL.]

*Missionary Bishop,
Northern California.*



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LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, JUNE 1st, 1887.

Those whose names are in *italics* are not entitled to a seat in Convention, and those with a * did not attend its sessions.

- THEO. P. BARBER, D. D..... Rector of Great Choptank Parish.
- *GEORGE F. BEAVEN..... Rector of St. John's Parish.
- JAMES L. BRYAN, M. D., Deacon, Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish.
- *JOSEPH N. WATTSON.....
- JOHN O. BARTON, D. D..... Rector Emeritus of Somerset Parish.
- JAMES A. MITCHELL..... Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Q. A. Co.
- JOHN MARTIN..... Officiating in Somerset Parish.
- E. J. STEARNS, D. D..... Examining Chaplain.
- STEPHEN C. ROBERTS..... Rector of Chester Parish.
- E. K. MILLER..... Rector of North Elk Parish.
- *PHILIP D. THOMPSON..... Rector of Christ Church Parish.
- W. Y. BEAVEN..... Rector of All Saints' Parish.
- W. WALLACE GREENE..... Rector of Dorchester Parish.
- FRANCIS W. HILLIARD..... Rector of Pocomoke Parish.
- ALBERT R. WALKER..... Rector of Shrewsbury Parish.
- WILLIAM SCHOULER..... Rector of Trinity and Augustine Parishes.
- ALBERT WARE..... Rector of Wye Parish.
- A. BATTE..... Rector of All Hallows' Parish.
- FRANKLIN BACHE ADKINS, Rector of Spring Hill, Stepney and Wicomico Parishes.
- HENRY WALL, D. D..... Rector of St. Paul's, Kent Co.
- *W. H. Phillips.....
- OLIVER H. MURPHY..... Rector of Coventry Parish.
- JOHN R. JOYNER..... Rector of Worcester Parish.
- CHAS. E. BUCK..... Rector of St. Peter's Parish.
- JOHN W. CHESLEY..... Rector of Miles River Parish.
- J. PLEASANTON DU HAMEL, D. D..... Rector of St. Luke's, Q. A. Co.
- *WM. BRITTAİN..... Rector of North Kent Parish.
- *JACOB MILLER..... Rector of St. James' Church.
- HENRY B. MARTIN, M. D..... Rector of Somerset Parish.
- ERNEST MCGILL..... Rector of St. Michael's Parish.
- ELIJAH J. ROKE, Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes.
- J. EDWARD JACKSON..... Rector of Whitemarsh Parish.
- Charles F. Sweet*..... Rector of Salisbury Parish.

In all, 32 Priests and 1 Deacon.

LIST

PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS, WITH THE CLERGY OF THE SAME;
AND OF
LAY DELEGATES TO THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Lay Delegates marked with an * did not attend.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

<p>ST. JOHN'S PARISH. Rev. Geo. F. Beaven, Rector.</p>	<p>Geo. W. Ernst.</p>
<p>ST. MARY'S WHITE CHAPEL PARISH.</p>	<p>P. W. Downe.</p>

CECIL COUNTY.

<p>AUGUSTINE PARISH. Rev. William Schouler, Rector.</p>	<p>J. Oldham Massey.</p>
<p>NORTH ELK PARISH. Rev. E. K. Miller, Rector.</p>	<p>Henry S. Coudon.</p>
<p>NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.</p>	<p>David P. Davis,</p>
<p>TRINITY PARISH. Rev. William Schouler, Rector.</p>	<p>R. C. Mackall, M. D.</p>
<p>ST. JAMES' CHURCH. Rev. Jacob Miller, Rector.</p>	<p>*W. W. Hopkins.</p>

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

<p>DORCHESTER PARISH. Rev. W. W. Greene, Rector.</p>	<p>Samuel M. Travers.</p>
<p>EAST NEW MARKET PARISH. Rev. E. J. Roke, Rector.</p>	<p>E. S. Johnson.</p>
<p>GREAT CHOPTANK PARISH. Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., Rector. Rev. J. L. Bryan, M.D., Deacon, Asst. Minister.</p>	<p>Thos. H. Williams, M. D. D. M. Henry, Jr.</p>
<p>VIENNA PARISH. Rev. E. J. Roke, Rector.</p>	<p>Albert Webb.</p>

KENT COUNTY.

Lay Delegates.

CHESTER PARISH.

Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, Rector.

William S. Walker.

I. U. PARISH.

Ed. W. Hepbron.

NORTH KENT PARISH.

Rev. Wm. Brittain, Rector.

C. H. B. Massey, M. D.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. Henry Wall, D. D., Rector.

George Beck.

SHREWSBURY PARISH.

Rev. A. R. Walker, Rector.

D. J. Nowland.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

Rev. Philip D. Thompson, Rector.

E. C. Legg.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

Rev. J. P. Du Hamel, D. D., Rector.

E. S. Valliant.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH.

Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector.

William McKenney.

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

WYE PARISH.

Rev. A. Ware, Rector.

George Davidson.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

COVENTRY PARISH.

Rev. O. H. Murphy, Rector.

Cadmus Dashiell, M. D.

SOMERSET PARISH.

Rev. Henry B. Martiu, M. D., Rector.

Levin Woolford.

WICOMICO PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

Otis S. Lloyd.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

POCOMOKE PARISH.

Rev. Francis W. Hilliard, Rector.

*C. C. Lloyd.

TALBOT COUNTY.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH.

Rev. Ernest McGill, Rector.

William Willis.

ST. PETER'S PARISH.

Rev. Charles E. Buck, Rector.

I. L. Adkins, M. D.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, OXFORD.

1887.]

List of Parishes, &c.

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Lay Delegates.

WHITEMARSH PARISH.

Rev. J. Edward Jackson, Rector.

*Jos. B. Seth.

TRINITY CATHEDRAL.

T. K. Robson.

ALL SAINTS' PARISH.

Rev. W. Y. Beaven, Rector.

Geo. R. Goldsborough.

MILES RIVER PARISH.

Rev. John W. Chesley, Rector.

*D. C. Trimble.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

ST. MATTHEW'S PARISH.

SALISBURY PARISH.

Rev. Charles F. Sweet, Rector.

I. S. Adams.

SPRING HILL PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

Horace Venable.

STEPNEY PARISH.

Rev. F. B. Adkins, Rector.

George D. Walter.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

ALL HALLOWS' PARISH.

Rev. A. Batte, Rector.

E. S. Dashiell.

WORCESTER PARISH.

Rev. John R. Joyner, Rector.

John R. Purnell.

ST. PAUL'S BY THE SEA.

In all 38 Incorporated Parishes and Congregations represented in the Nineteenth Annual Convention by 82 Lay Delegates.

In attendance at the Nineteenth Annual Convention, Clergy 27, Lay Delegates 82.

W. E. W. 1858.

E. C. L.) 1875.

E. C. L.) 1883.

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CHESTER, KENT COUNTY.

Emmanuel, Chestertown, (H. C. L.) 1882.

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Christ, (W. R. W.) 1860.

NORTH KENT.

St. Clement's, 1855, (H. C. L.) 1883.

Holy Cross, Millington, (H. C. L.) 1883.

ST. PAUL'S, KENT COUNTY.

St. Paul's, (W. R. W.) 1843.

SHREWSBURY.

Shrewsbury. { W. R. W. } 1840.
 { H. C. L. } 1880.

St. Andrew's, Galena, (H. C. L.) 1878.

CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ, Kent Island, (W. R. W.) 1841.

ST. LUKE'S.

St. Luke's, Church Hill, (colonial and restored,) (H. C. L.) 1881.

St. Andrew's, Sudlersville, (H. C. L.) 1880.

ST. PAUL'S.

St. Paul's, Centreville, { Stone. } 1835.
 { W. R. W. } 1855.

WYE, QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

St. Luke's, Queenstown, (W. R. W.) 1842.

St. Luke's, Wye, (W. R. W.) 1854.

COVENTRY, SOMERSET COUNTY.

St. Paul's, Annessex, (W. R. W.) 1848.

St. Mark's, Kingston, (W. R. W.) 1846.

St. Stephen's, Fairmount, (H. C. L.) 1884.

SOMERSET.

All Saints', Monie, { W. R. W. } 1845.
 { H. C. L. } 1881.

St. Andrew's, Princess Anne, (W. R. W.) 1845.

WICOMICO.

Grace, (W. R. W.) 1848.

POCOMOKE, SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

St. Mary's, Pocomoke City, (W. R. W.) 1843.

St. Stephen's, Naswaddux, (H. C. L.) 1877.

ST. MICHAEL'S, TALBOT COUNTY.

Christ, St. Michael's, { Kemp. } 1814.
 { H. C. L. } 1883.

Holy Innocents, Claiborne.

St. Paul's, Royal Oak, (W. R. W.) 1859.

ST. PETER'S.

Christ, Easton, { (Clagett) 1803.
 { (W. R. W.) 1847.
 { (Restored) (H. C. L.) 1876.

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

OF THE

NINETEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

OFFICERS.

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President.

The Rev. JAMES A. MITCHELL,
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Easton, Md.

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Easton, Md.

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Standing Committee:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., (President,) the Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell,
(Secretary,) the Rev. Stephen C. Roberts, the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the
Rev. A. R. Walker.

Ecclesiastical Court, (Elected 1886.)

The Rev. George F. Beaven, the Rev. Wm. Schouler, the Rev. E. K.
Miller.

Trustees of the Episcopal Fund:

The Bishop, *ex-officio*, I. L. Adkins, M. D., H. H. Dashiell, George R.
Goldsborough, E. L. F. Hardcastle, W. S. Walker, Edward Lloyd.

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M. D., (Treasurer,) Jos. E. M. Chamberlaine, M. D.

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Deputies to the General Convention:

The Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., the Rev. F. W. Hilliard, the Rev. E. K. Miller, the Rev. Algernon Batte, and Messrs. Wm. S. Walker, Isaac L. Adkins, M. D., Geo. R. Goldsborough and R. C. Mackall, M. D.

Under provision of Canon XXV, On the Episcopal Fund: the members of the Episcopal Fund are divided into two classes as follows:

1. Messrs. George R. Goldsborough and Wm. S. Walker serve two years and E. L. F. Hardcastle, H. H. Dashiell and Edward Lloyd, serve one year.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.
2. This Convention shall sit for the dispatch of business, beginning with Divine Service, at such hours as each Convention may determine.
3. At the opening of the Session, the Convention shall be called to order by the Bishop; or if there be no Bishop, or he be absent, by the President of the Standing Committee, or by some member of that body appointed by those of its members who may be present.
4. The names of the Clergymen, from a list furnished by the Bishop, and if there be no Bishop, by the Standing Committee, shall then be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention, or, in his absence, by some person appointed by the Bishop, or other person, who called the Convention to order. The Lay Delegates shall then lay their Certificates upon the table, and subscribe the Declaration required by the Constitution. If a quorum of both orders appear, the Bishop, if present, shall announce the fact, and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
5. In case of the absence of the Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the person who called the Convention to order shall announce that there is a quorum present. The Convention shall then proceed to elect a President, according to the seventh article of the Constitution; who shall, so soon as his election is completed, take the Chair and declare that the Convention is organized and ready for business.
6. The first business after that declaration is made, either by the Bishop or the President, shall be the election of a Secretary. The Chair shall then appoint an Assistant Secretary and the Committee mentioned in the next rule.
7. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Chair; one on Rights of Clergymen to seats in this Convention, consisting of three Clergymen; one on Elections, to consist of three Laymen, to whom the testimonials of the Lay Delegates shall be referred; one on Accounts, to consist of three Laymen; one on Parochial Contributions and Assessments, to consist of one Clergyman and four Laymen; one on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations into union with this Convention, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; one on the Episcopal Fund, to consist of two Laymen and one Clergyman; and one on Canons and other business, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman. The Chair shall also appoint all other Committees for the appointment of which no other provision is made: unless otherwise ordered by the Convention.
8. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the Chair, and remain uncovered until he shall have left the Convention.
9. Every member, who shall speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place, and respectfully address himself to the President.
10. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall decide who shall speak first.

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JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton, met in Emmanuel Church, Chestertown, Wednesday, June 1st, 1887, at 11 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Schouler, Adkins and Hilliard. The Rev. Mr. Walker read the Ante-Communion, the Rev. Dr. Stearns reading the Epistle, and the Rev. Mr. Buck the Gospel.

The Rt. Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., preached the sermon from I Cor. vi, 20. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rector, the Rev. Dr. Barber, and the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell, Bryan, Murphy and John Martin.

At the conclusion of Divine Service, the President of the Standing Committee called the Convention to order. The Secretary of last Convention called the roll of the Clergy from a list furnished by the Standing Committee. The following answered to their names.

The Rev. F. B. Adkins.	The Rev. John Martin.
" " Theo. P. Barber, D. D.	" " Ernest McGill.
" " A. Batte.	" " E. K. Miller.
" " John O. Barton, D. D.	" " J. A. Mitchell.
" " W. Y. Beaven.	" " O. H. Murphy.
" " Jas. L. Bryan, M. D.	" " S. C. Roberts.
" " Chas. E. Buck.	" " E. J. Roke.
" " Jno. W. Chesley.	" " Wm. Schouler.
" " J. P. Du Hamel, D. D.	" " E. J. Stearns, D. D.
" " W. W. Greene.	" " Charles F. Sweet.
" " F. W. Hilliard.	" " Henry Wall, D. D.
" " J. E. Jackson.	" " A. R. Walker.
" " Jno. R. Joyner.	" " Albert Ware.—27.
" " Henry B. Martin, M. D.	

The Secretary then called the roll of Lay Delegates from the certificates furnished by the parishes. The following answered to their names:

Messrs. J. A. Pearce.
 Geo. W. Ernst.
 P. W. Downes.
 G. Oldham Massey.
 H. S. Coudon.
 David P. Davis.
 R. C. Mackall, M. D.
 Sam'l M. Travers.
 E. S. Johnson.
 Thos. H. Williams, M. D.
 D. M. Henry, Jr.
 Albert Webb.
 W. S. Walker.
 Ed. G. Hepbron.
 C. H. B. Massey, M. D.
 Geo. Beck.

Messrs. D. J. Nowland.
 Ed. C. Legg.
 E. S. Valliant.
 Wm. McKenney.
 Geo. Davidson.
 Cadmus Dashiell, M. D.
 Levin Woolford.
 Geo. R. Goldsborough.
 Wm. Willis.
 I. L. Adkins, M. D.
 T. K. Robson.
 I. S. Adams.
 Horace Venable.
 Geo. D. Walter.
 E. S. Dashiell.
 J. R. Purnell.—32.

The Chair announced that a quorum of both orders being present, the Convention was now ready for business, and that the first business in order was the election of a President. The Rev. Dr. Stearns nominated the Rev. Dr. Barber as President of the Convention. On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bryan, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to cast the ballot of the Convention.

The ballot was cast for the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., who after a few remarks assumed the Chair.

The Rev. J. A. Mitchell was nominated as Secretary of the Convention, and on motion, the ballot being dispensed with, Mr. Mitchell was elected. The President appointed Mr. Wm. S. Walker, Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Barber offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the Convention expresses its great gratification in the presence of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of East Carolina, they tender acknowledgments for the instructive discourse delivered this morning, and request the Bishop to occupy a seat at the right of the President.

Mr. W. S. Walker presented the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund. On motion of Mr. Adkins the report was made the order of the day immediately after the election of a Bishop.

On motion of the Rev. Wm. Schouler, it was

Resolved, That Clergymen of this Diocese not entitled to seats, all visiting Clergymen and candidates for Holy Orders, the Officers of the Diocese, and the Vestry of Chester Parish, be and are hereby entitled to seats as honorary members of this Convention.

Among the Clergy of this Diocese present, but not entitled to seats, were the Rev. J. Edward Jackson and the Rev. Charles F. Sweet. The Rev. George F. Plummer of the Diocese of Maryland was present.

The President appointed the following Committees :

On Rights of Clergymen to Seats.—The Rev. Dr. Barton, the Rev. Messrs. Batte and Buck.

On Elections.—Messrs. H. S. Coudon, L. Woolford and G. R. Goldsborough.

On Parochial Assessments.—The Rev. Mr. Batte, Messrs. J. R. Purnell, I. S. Adams, T. H. Williams.

On Admission of New Parishes.—The Rev. Messrs. Roberts and Ware, and Mr. J. A. Pearce.

On Episcopal Fund.—The Rev. Mr. Walker, Messrs. R. C. Mackall and D. M. Henry, Jr.

On Canons.—The Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Rev. W. Y. Beaven and Mr. J. A. Pearce.

On Accounts.—Messrs. T. K. Robson, Ed. W. Hebron and Wm. Willis.

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Hilliard and Schouler, Messrs. I. L. Adkins, and Wm. McKenney.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Murphy, it was

Resolved, That when the Convention adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 4,30 P. M.

On motion the Convention then adjourned.

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...	" " John R. Joyner.
...	" " Charles E. Buck.
...	" " John W. Chesley.
...	" " J. P. Du Hamel, D
...	" " Wm. Brittain.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Diocesan Missions, be made the Order of the day immediately after Evening Prayer.

The Rev. Mr. Buck presented the following report, the resolution appended, was on motion, adopted.

Convention of the Diocese of Easton, 1887.

The Committee on the Bishop Lay Monument Fund respectfully report:

This Committee which was empowered to collect money to defray the funeral expenses of our late Bishop, and to erect a suitable monument to mark his last resting place, report that their work has been done.

The monument which was made and erected by an Easton workman, Mr. E. E. Lachman, cost \$370. It is a beautiful piece of work, over 10 feet 7 inches in height, of Italian marble, with bottom base of Maryland marble; composed, including bottom base of six pieces, the top piece being a plain cross nearly four feet high. On the west side there is a crown, a fac simile of the Bishop's seal, and the name Rt. Rev. HENRY CHAMPLIN LAY, D. D., LL. D., and below cut in large letters, the surname Lay. On the south side there are crossed keys, and the following inscription: Made Deacon in Alexandria, Va., July 10, 1846. Ordained Priest in Huntsville, Ala., July 12, 1848. Consecrated Missionary Bishop of the Southwest, Richmond, Va., Oct., 1859. Translated to the Diocese of Easton, April 1, 1869.

On the east side, is a cross and below it: Born in Richmond, Va., Dec. 6, 1823. Died in Baltimore, Md., Sept. 17, 1885.

On the north side, is a Pastoral Staff with the text:

"So he fed them with a faithful and true heart, and ruled them prudently with all his power."

After paying all bills, both for funeral expenses and the erection of the monument, the Committee have on hand a balance of \$93.67.

We suggest that this amount be permanently invested, and that the interest be applied to keeping the Bishop Lay monument lot in order.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. BUCK,
FRANKLIN B. ADKINS,
I. L. ADKINS,

Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Buck presented the report of the Registrar of the Diocese, and the resolution accompanying, was on motion, adopted.

Convention of the Diocese of Easton, 1887.

The Registrar of the Diocese respectfully reports: "●"

Having been elected to this office at the last Annual Convention, the Registrar's Library was duly transferred to my charge.

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CHARLES E. BUCH
Registrar of the Diocese

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STANDING COMMITTEE.

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The following Clergymen have been received into the Diocese :

The Rev. Henry B. Martin from the Diocese of Delaware, who entered upon the Rectorship of Somerset Parish, July 19th, 1886.

The Rev. Ernest McGill from the Diocese of Maryland, who became Rector of St. Michael's Parish, July 13th, 1886.

The Rev. Elijah J. Roke from the Diocese of Albany, who entered upon his duties as Rector of East New Market and Vienna Parishes, Nov. 4th, 1886.

The Rev. J. Edward Jackson from the Diocese of Maryland, who became Rector of Whitemarsh Parish, April 14th, 1887.

The Rev. Charles F. Sweet from the Diocese of Massachusetts, who entered upon the Rectorship of Salisbury Parish, May 5th, 1887.

The Rev. A. R. Walker resigned Whitemarsh Parish in September last, and became Rector of Shrewsbury, Kent County.

Among the Clergy one death has occurred since we last met in Convention. The Rev. Lewis Walke, Rector of North Sassafras Parish, and Dean of the Northern Convocation, entered into rest early in the spring. He was beloved by his parishioners and by the Clergy of the Diocese. The funeral was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Schouler, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Miller and Walker, and his remains were taken for burial to his native State, Virginia.

Two parishes remain vacant, North Sassafras and St. Mary's Whitechapel.

July 13th. Mr. Wm. Du Hamel was admitted as a candidate for Deacon's Orders.

August 26th. Mr. Hunter Davidson, Jr. was received as a postulant for Holy Orders.

Mr. W. G. Woolford, candidate for Holy Orders, at his request, the reasons being sufficient, was transferred April 20th to the Diocese of Indiana.

August 26th. The Committee renewed in accordance with the provisions of the Canon, the licenses of Dr. R. C. Mackall and Mr. J. B. Seth.

At a meeting held in Easton, November 17th a letter was received from the Rev. George W. Bowne, Rector of Salisbury Parish, signifying his purpose to renounce the ministry of the P. E. Church, with a view to entering the Church of Rome. In accordance with the requirements of Canon 5, Title II, acting by request of the Committee, the Rt. Rev. Wm. Paret, D. D., Bishop of Maryland, deposed the Rev. George W. Bowne from the sacred ministry, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, in the presence of the Rev. S. C. Roberts, and the Rev. Charles E. Buck, presbyters of the Diocese of Easton, and the

Rev. J. S. B. Hodges, D. D., presbyter of the Diocese of Maryland. Since then he has made application to be restored to the ministry.

July 18th. The Committee gave consent to the translation of the Rt. Rev. D. S. Tuttle, D. D., from the missionary jurisdiction of Utah and Idaho to the Bishopric of Missouri.

August 26th. The Committee gave consent to the translation of the Rt. Rev. O. W. Whittaker, D. D. from the missionary jurisdiction of Nevada to the Assistant Bishopric of Pennsylvania.

March 15th, 1887. The Committee gave consent to the consecration of the Rev. Elisha Smith Thomas, as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas.

We report therefore the following summary :

Clergymen removed from the Diocese.....	3
Clergymen received into the Diocese.....	5
Clergymen died, one priest.....	1
Candidates for Holy Orders.....	1
Postulant.....	1
Lay-readers	3
Confirmed	126

All which is respectfully submitted,

THEO. P. BARBER,
JAMES A. MITCHELL,
STEPHEN C. ROBERTS,
ALBERT R. WALKER,
FRANCIS W. HILLIARD.

Standing Committee.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Roberts, it was

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Diocese of Easton, be tendered to the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina, for his kind consideration in performing Episcopal duties in this Diocese.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, it was

Resolved, That a Committee of two Clergymen and one layman be appointed to prepare a suitable Minute on the death of the Rev. Lewis Walke, and report the same during the session of this Convention.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Wm. Schouler and James A. Mitchell, and Mr. David P. Davis.

The following telegram was received from the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.

NEWARK, DEL., June 1st, 1887.

Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton, Chestertown, Md.

The Convention of Delaware sends greetings to Convention of Easton now in session at Chestertown.

S. M. CURTIS, Secretary.

Mr. H. S. Coudon presented the report of the Committee on Elections.

The Committee on Elections report the following entitled to seats in this Convention:

Hon. Jas. A. Pearce.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

Parish.	Delegates.	Alternates.
St. John's.....	Geo. W. Ernst.....	Dr. P. S. Reynolds.
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	Philip W. Downes.....	Chas. Stevens.

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine.....	G. Oldham Massey.....	Benj. P. Hanson.
North Elk.....	Henry S. Coudon.....	Sam'l L. Chamberlaine.
North Sassafras.....	David P. Davis.	
Trinity.....	Dr. R. C. Mackall.....	John S. Wirt.
St. James' Church.....	W. W. Hopkins.....	W. H. Noble.

DORCHESTER COUNTY.

Dorchester.....	Sam'l M. Travers.....	Robt. L. Spilman.
East New Market.....	E. S. Johnson, present, but no certificate.	
Great Choptank.....	{ Dr. Thos. H. Williams, } { Dan'l M. Henry, }	Wm. H. Barton.
Vienna.....	Albert Webb.....	James A. Higgins.

KENT COUNTY.

Chester.....	Wm. S. Walker.....	Wm. N. E. Wicks.
I. U.	Jos. W. Hossinger, M. D.....	E. W. Hepbron.
North Kent.....	C. H. B. Massey.....	L. M. Bean.
St. Paul's.....	Geo. Beck.....	James Rankin.
Shrewsbury.....	D. J. Nowland.....	E. T. Commegys.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church.....	Ed. C. Legg.	
St. Luke's.....	E. S. Valliant.....	Jos. E. George.
St. Paul's.....	Wm. McKenney.	

QUEEN ANNE'S AND TALBOT COUNTIES.

Wye.....	Geo. Davidson.....	Geo. De Rochbrune.
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SOMERSET COUNTY.

Coventry.....	Dr. Cadmus Dashiell.....	John S. Sudler.
Somerset.....	Levin Woolford.....	H. P. Dashiell.
Wicomico.....	Wm. Groscup.....	Otis S. Lloyd.

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

<i>Parish.</i>	<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Pocomoke	C. C. Lloyd	E. M. McMaster.

TALBOT COUNTY.

St. Michael's	John C. Adams	Wm. Willis.
St. Peter's	Dr. I. L. Adkins	Dr. John C. Earle.
Whitemarsh	Jos. B. Seth	John W. Martin.
Trinity Cathedral	Thos. K. Robson	Paul Winchester.
All Saints'	Geo. R. Goldsborough	Chas. H. Rose.
Miles River	David C. Trimble	L. W. Trail.

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury.....	I. S. Adams.	
Spring Hill.....	Horace Venable.....	A. L. Jones.
Stepney.....	Robert Walter.....	Geo. D. Walter.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows'	E. S. Daschiel	C. D. Collins.
Worcester	John R. Purnell	F. H. Purnell.
St. Paul's by the Sea.		

H. S. COUDON,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
LEVIN WOOLFORD,
Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Bryan moved that Mr. E. S. Johnson, lay delegate from East New Market Parish, be admitted to a seat.

The motion was amended by Mr. D. M. Henry, Jr., so as to read, "on subscribing to the declaration required by the Constitution," and was adopted.

Mr. Johnson signed the declaration and took his seat in the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the certification of lay delegates was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Roberts, it was

Resolved, That the first Sunday after Easter, shall be known in the Diocese of Easton as Hospital Sunday, and that the offerings on that day, in the Parish Churches, Chapels, or Missionary Stations of the Diocese, wherever Divine Service may be held, be devoted to the Church Home on Broadway, Baltimore City.

On the motion of Mr. D. M. Henry, Jr., the Convention proceeded to the election of a Bishop.

The President appointed as tellers for the clerical vote the Rev. Messrs. Buck and H. B. Martin, and for the lay vote, Messrs. Woolford and Legg.

The Rev. Dr. Du Hamel moved that nominations be now received. After suitable devotions and silent prayer, the President announced that the Convention was ready for nominations.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell nominated the Rev. John S. Lindsay, D. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.

This nomination was seconded by the Rev. Mr. Schouler and Mr. R. C. Mackall.

The Rev. S. C. Roberts nominated the Rev. J. Nevett Steele, Rector of Zion Church, Wappinger's Falls, N. Y. Mr. James A. Pearce seconded this nomination.

The Rev. F. W. Hilliard nominated the Rev. James A. Mitchell, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Centreville.

Mr. P. W. Downes nominated the Rev. Campbell Fair, D. D., Rector of St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

On motion the Canonical Testimonials of the Bishop-Elect were read by the Secretary.

Mr. W. S. Walker moved that the Convention adjourn, which motion was not adopted.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and of Lay Delegates, and the tellers retired to count the vote. The tellers reported as the result of first ballot:

Clerical vote.—24. Necessary to a choice 13.
Lay vote. 33. " " " 17.

	Clerical.	Lay.
The Rev. Dr. Lindsay.....	13	16
" J. N. Steele	6	12
" Mr. Mitchell.....	2	0
" Dr. Fair.....	1	2
" H. B. Martin.....	1	3
No Choice.		

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 8 P. M. Evening Prayer was said by the Rev. H. B. Martin, and the Rev. Jas. L. Bryan.

After Divine Service the President called the Convention to order.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Hilliard, the order of the day—the report of the Board of Diocesan Mission—was postponed until to-morrow after Divine Service.

On the motion of Mr. D. M. Henry, Jr., the Convention proceeded to another ballot.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard withdrew the name of the Rev. Mr. Mitchell.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and of Lay Delegates, and the tellers retired.

The tellers reported as the result of the second ballot,

Clerical vote.—24. Necessary to a choice 13.

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The President announced that the Rev. John S. Lindsay, D. D., having received a majority of the votes of the Clergy, and a majority of the votes of the Laity, was duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

The Rev. Mr. Adkins moved that the election be made unanimous, and the motion was adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. I. L. Adkins moved that a Committee of Clergy and Laity be sent at their convenience to inform the Rev. Dr. Lindsay of his election.

Mr. W. S. Walker moved as a substitute, that the Rev. Dr. Lindsay be informed of his election by telegram. The amendment was lost.

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven moved as a substitute that the Rev. Dr. Lindsay be informed of his election by the President and Secretary, which motion was also lost.

On motion of Mr. R. C. Mackall, the motion was then amended so as to read, that a telegram announcing his election, and that a committee would wait on him, be sent to the Bishop-elect by the Secretary; and was adopted.

The President appointed as such committee the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell and Walker, Messrs. Adkins and Coudon.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Schouler, the Secretary was requested to send the following telegram to the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware:

To the Convention of the Diocese of Delaware.

The Convention of the Diocese of Easton send greeting in the Lord to their brethren of Delaware, informing them of the election of the Rev. John S. Lindsay, D. D., as their Bishop.

The members of the Convention signed the Canonical Testimonials of the Bishop-elect, and on motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 10 A. M. to-morrow.

THURSDAY, SECOND DAY.

The Convention assembled at 9.30 A. M. for Divine Service, Morning prayers was said by the Rev. Mr. McGill, and the Rev. Dr. Barber.

The President called the Convention to order. The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and lay delegates, and a quorum of both orders was found to be present.

The Secretary read the following telegram from the Bishop-elect.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

REV. JAS. A. MITCHELL.
Chestertown.

Deeply sensible of the honor done me by the Convention, but am unable to accept Bishopric.

JOHN S. LINDSAY.

The Rev. Dr. Barber presented the report of the Board of Diocesan Missions.

THE REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions of the Diocese beg leave to present their annual statement regarding this important trust.

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2nd. That the Roll of the Parishes be now called in open session for their pledges to the Board.

Respectfully submitted.

THEO. P. BARBER,

F. W. HILLIARD,

I. L. ADKINS,

J. E. M. CHAMBERLAIN.

Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard moved the adoption of the first resolution. Adopted.

The Treasurer of the Diocesan Board then read his report. (See appendix.)

The second resolution was then adopted.

The Secretary called the roll of Parishes for their pledges. (See appendix.)

Mr. I. L. Adkins read the report of the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, which on motion was referred to the Committee on Accounts. (See appendix.)

The Secretary read the report of the Clergy Relief Fund, which was on motion referred to Committee on Accounts. (See appendix.)

The Rev. W. Y. Beaven read the report of the Committee on Canons in reference to the change of the Constitution on the Standing Committee.

REPORT OF THE MAJORITY OF COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The undersigned being a majority of the Committee on Canons, to which Committee was referred by the last Annual Convention a resolution for the amendment of Art. XI of the Constitution, so as to introduce lay representation upon the Standing Committee, respectfully report that they have given to the subject such consideration and examination as the sources of information at their command would permit.

If the proposed amendment is to be considered in the light of American practice and precedent alone, the well known fact that but three of the Dioceses of our Church exclude the lay element from the Standing Committee, might perhaps be regarded as conclusive of the question; but if it is examined in the light of fundamental principles and churchly traditions, both as to the nature and origin of the Standing Committees in the Church, and as to their proper functions, the question is not so easily settled, for it is even

law, that "a correct principle is a correct precedent."

In the Church, the prototypes in the past were the *Cathedral Chapters*, the *Chapter* as a Council of advice, and their *Chapter*. He also states that during our history this character in existence, except that of five Clergymen was appointed

dependence. Standing Committee. In 1788, this Committee was composed of one for each shore; but since 1790, it has been composed of Clergy-

States and the adoption of a Constitution. It was enacted. Up to that time, in the States of Connecticut, Mr. Hoffman observes, these Standing Committees of the case, and were the *Standing* during the recess of the

Convention, but *not the Bishop*, and *not* than the *ecclesiastical authority*. The obvious reason for the infusion of the *Standing* most of the Standing Committee their right (subject to the law of the Church, was doubtless due to the *Church* of England, growing popular, aggravated by England's refusal, as well as by want of popular support of noble exceptions, to *the*. Had the American people, under Bishops of their own clergy as a class would have prejudices against the Church, the pitch they were, and in circumstances, Laymen would have upon the Standing Committee, the principles of the *Methodist* are at variance with their

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The ecclesiastical authority of a Diocese should be composed of ecclesiastics, and Laymen however useful and devoted are not ecclesiastics.

It may be argued that inasmuch as the Canons of the Church at large plainly contemplate that Laymen may be placed upon the Standing Committee, and inasmuch as all but three of the Dioceses have such representation, therefore the collective wisdom of the Church both as to the right, and the policy, favors the lay element.

But we think it may be fairly replied, and with almost conclusive force, that the General Canon was enacted, and the policy of the early Dioceses thereunder inaugurated under the influence of republican principles in the first flush of their triumph, and at a period when the Episcopal Church was an object of political jealousy and hatred, and that the perpetuation of that policy in the later organized Dioceses was very largely an inheritance without any consideration of, or examination into, the principles, history and traditions of the matter. Even then, Connecticut and Maryland stood by the ancient land-marks, and though Connecticut, under Bishop Hobart's provisional charge, introduced the lay element to which he had been accustomed in New York, yet on the accession of Bishop Brownell, she resumed, and has ever since maintained her former practice.

In the Declaration of Fundamental Rights issued by Maryland in 1788, it was declared that "the Church in Maryland possessed the right to *preserve* and complete herself as an entire Church, *agreeably* to her ancient usages and professions," and that "as it is the right, so it is the duty of the said Church to revise her liturgy, forms of prayer, and public worship, in order to adapt the same to the late revolution, and other local circumstances of America, which it is humbly conceived may be done without any other departure from the venerable order, and beautiful forms of the worship of the Church from which we sprung, than may be found expedient in the change of our situation from a daughter to a sister Church." Following this emphatic and admirable declaration of rights, the Vestry Act of Maryland of 1798, expressly recognizes in its 9th section the Church of England as "the same now called the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland."

Easton, when organized in 1868, conformed to the practice in Maryland, in reference to the Constitution of the Standing Committee accepting it doubtless as part of her inheritance. At the Second Annual Convention in 1870, an amendment similar to that now proposed was referred to the Committee on Canons, and on the following day the Committee requested to be discharged from its further consideration, and was thereupon discharged by the Convention, without comment.

Again in 1878, a similar amendment was offered and referred to the Committee on Canons, and by the adoption of their report it was declared inexpedient, and now again the question is presented.

Remembering in a double sense "the rock from which we were hewn," (the Church of England, and the Diocese of Maryland,) we cannot recommend the proposed change. We have communicated, before making this report, with every Diocese in the Church, making special inquiry when lay representation was introduced, and whether with or without discussion,

and it is a singular fact that in none of the Dioceses are we advised of any consideration of the matter upon principle, except in the recent unsuccessful effort to effect a change in Connecticut, and in Bishop Whittingham's address to the Maryland Convention in 1869, when he advocated the change, but without success. Such advocacy as his was always entitled to the most respectful and careful consideration—but we have not been able to concur in his reasons or conclusions, and they failed to convince the majority of the Clergy of his Convention at that time, including the Chairman of our present Committee on Canons, who then sat in the Maryland Convention.

The effort was again renewed in Maryland in 1884, when the Committee on Canons made a short but unanimous adverse report, which the adjourned Convention adopted without debate.

The second anomaly in Lay Representation on the Standing Committee is found in the provision of several Canons, that in certain cases (all it is believed involving ecclesiastical rights,) only the clerical members shall act. The mere necessity of such divided power and jurisdiction, in our opinion, is at once an indication of its inherent unwisdom and a powerful argument against the proposed amendment to our Constitution.

In one of the Dioceses the Standing Committee is composed of two Clergymen and three Laymen, and in most, it is equally divided between them. What would be thought of a Secular Court, in which, under any circumstances, not involving consanguinity or personal interest, the half or the majority of such Court should be forbidden to exercise jurisdiction?

The strength of the Church in Connecticut and in Maryland, and the long line of zealous and distinguished Laymen in each,—abundantly show that it is not necessary to enlarge their powers in order to secure their devotion to the Church, and in this country at this day, the fear of undue priestly influence can excite no alarm in any bosom. The fact is as stated by an eminent Layman "that the Laity have almost absolute control over a Clergyman, and that they sometimes" (though happily rarely) "use it most mercilessly."

We fully recognize the worth of the Laymen of this Diocese, but we cannot perceive how their service can be more effective by reason of the proposed change, nor can we perceive any other advantage to be derived therefrom to the Church.

We fail to discover any force in the argument that if Laymen are not admitted to the Standing Committees, they should be also excluded from the Diocesan and General Conventions. It would extend this report unduly to attempt a discussion of this point, but we think the grounds of our conclusion are obvious, and we submit with this report the following resolution:

Resolved, That this report be adopted and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

JAMES A. PEARCE,
W. Y. BEAVEN,
Committee.

The order of the day was deferred until the reading of the minority report of the Committee, by the Rev. Dr. Stearns.


The Chairman of the Committee on Canons, to which committee was referred by the last Convention a proposition to amend Article XI, of the Constitution so as to provide for lay representation on the Standing Committee, unable to concur in the report of the majority respectfully submits the following:

The functions of our Standing Committees are of two kinds, the one appropriate to Clergy and Laity, the other to the Clergy only. Such being the case, it would seem most fitting that the separate functions should be assigned to separate Committees; and such was actually the case in Maryland in the beginning. "The first legislation of the Maryland Church," says Dr. Hawks, in his *Contributions to the History of the Church in Maryland* (p. 302), "was to establish a governing power of some sort. The plan adopted was probably, under all the circumstances, the wisest that could be desired. A *superintending committee* consisting of ten clergymen was appointed, five residing on the Eastern Shore and five on the Western Shore. To this committee extensive powers were granted. * * * Besides the superintending committee, it was provided by the canons that there should be a standing committee of five clergymen and five laymen on each shore, to be chosen annually in convention, the clerical members by the clergy, the lay members by the laity. To this body belonged all matters of government and discipline during the recess of the Convention."

From this account of Dr. Hawks it is not easy to draw the line of demarcation between the two committees. To some extent their jurisdictions seem to have overlapped each other. It is clear, however, that the members of the superintending committee were a sort of rural deans, each having the superintendence of its own *deanery*, if we may so call it, the whole Diocese being divided into as many of these deaneries as there were members of the committee. The same provision, substituting Standing for Superintending committee, is found in the tenth Article of the Constitution of the Diocese as it stands in the *Compilation* of 1863, which reads:

"If at any time, there shall be no Bishop in this Church, the Convention shall divide the State into as many districts as there are members of the Standing Committee; assigning to each member the superintendence of a district, which it shall be his duty to visit once a year; and he shall report the ecclesiastical and secular state thereof to the Convention."

The creation of these committees was the work of the Convention of 1788. At that time there was no common authority over the Dioceses. In the following year, the General Convention, having completed its organization, enacted a body of canons. By Canon 6 it was enacted that "Every candidate for Holy Orders shall be recommended to the Bishop by a Standing Committee of the Convention of the State wherein he resides;" and by Canon 7 that "In every State in which there is no Standing Committee such Committee shall be appointed at its next ensuing Convention." Connecticut



ady had one, consisting of five of the clergy. Those that had none, in
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ample of Maryland; while Maryland herself (her superintending com-
tee having become *functus officio* by the Consecration of Bishop Claggett)
wisely went back on her own action, and so it has come to pass that out
the forty-nine Dioceses now existing, only three, Connecticut, Maryland
ad Easton, are without lay representation on the Standing Committee, and
each of these three, repeated attempts have been made to secure such
representation. Thus, in Connecticut, in 1818, two layman were actually
put upon the Committee. This seems to have been done by resolution, and
not by Constitutional provision; for the very next year it was repealed. In
1825, the Constitution was revised, and by one of its provisions the Com-
mittee was made to consist of clergy only. In 1835 another attempt was
made, and in 1857 yet another; on both these occasions a committee of
Revision reported in favor of the change, but the Convention, on the final
vote refused to ratify it. Finally, in the Convention at New London in 1884,
a committee was appointed to take the subject into consideration and report
at the next Convention. The committee, consisting of three clergymen and
four laymen, with the Rev. Dr. Beardsley as chairman, made a report in
part to the Convention of 1885, and from this report the facts above given
are derived. The report which was signed by the three clerical and two of
the four lay members, concluded with a request that the committee be con-
tinued another year. A minority report was made by the mover of the origi-
nal resolution, Mr. W. W. Skiddy, concluding with a resolution to amend
the Constitution so as to provide that the Standing Committee consist of
four clerical and four lay members. "The motion to continue the committee
until the next year was laid upon the table, and the resolution appended to
the minority report was adopted by vote of 102 to 37."

This remarkable vote seems to have alarmed those of the clergy who were
opposed to the change: and accordingly, a few weeks before the Convention
of 1886, when the resolution would come up for final action, a pamphlet
appeared bearing the title, "A few Reasons why the Constitution of the
Standing Committee of the Diocese of Connecticut should not be altered.
By a Priest of Connecticut, May, 1886." These "Reasons," coming from one
"holding," so he tells us, "a small country cure," seem to have had weight
with a sufficient number of the members of the Convention to secure the
final rejection of the proposed amendment: ought they to have similar
weight with us? Let us see.

The main reason advanced by the "Connecticut Priest" against the
admission of the laity to the exercise of such powers as are devolved upon
our Standing Committees, is, that it is "a clear departure from all ecclesias-
tical precedent and subversion of all former ecclesiastical polity;" that
"there is not a shadow of authority for it in the history of nearly eighteen
hundred years." (p. 10.)

From this bold and unqualified assertion, the fair conclusion is, either that
the "Connecticut Priest" has never read the *Epistles* of St. Cyprian, the
Apostolic Constitutions, and the *Ecclesiastical Polity* of Hooker, or that he
has a very treacherous memory.

Cyprian was Bishop of Carthage from A. D., 248, to his martyrdom in 338. His complete works, translated by the Rev. Ernest Wallis, are contained in Vol. V of the American Edition of the Ante-Nicene Fathers. The translator in his Introductory Notice thus writes:

"Cyprian is the patron and defender of the presbytery and of lay co-operation as well as of the regimen of the episcopate. His letters illustrate the Catholic system as it was known to the Nicene Fathers; but, of all the Christian Fathers, he is the most clear and comprehensive in his conception of the body of Christ as an organic whole, in which every member has an honorable function. Popular government and representative government, the legitimate power and place of the laity, the organization of the Christian *plebs* into their faculty as the ἀντιλήψεις (*helps*, 1 Cor., 12, 28,) of St. Paul, the development of synods, *omni plebe adstante*,—all this is embodied in the Catholic system as Cyprian understood it."

"The breaking out of the Decian persecution (A. D., 250,) induced Cyprian to retire into concealment for a time." During this retirement he wrote many letters to his flock; some to the clergy, some to the laity, some addressed to both.

In Epistle 5, of *Migne*, (14 of the Oxford Edition,) addressed to the presbyters and deacons, he writes: "From the first commencement of my episcopacy, I made up my mind to do nothing on my own private opinion, without your advice and without the consent of the people"—*nihil sine consilio vestro et sine consensu plebis mee privata sententia gerere*.

In Ep. 11, (Oxf. 17,) addressed to the laity—*ad plebem*, he writes: "When, as soon as peace is given to us all by the Lord, we shall begin to return to the Church, then the wishes of each one shall be looked into in your presence and with your judgment."

In both these Epistles the matter in hand is that of the restoration of the lapsed. Contrast with these extracts (and they are but specimens,) the following from the "Connecticut Priest."—"The recent extension in Ohio of the exercise of executive power by the laity to that of the judicial, whereby the laity of the Standing Committee, (so it appears probable) united with the clergy in the restoration of a deposed and degraded priest to the exercise of priestly functions, is a most alarming and shocking downward step in a church which delights to style itself Episcopal." Had our House of Bishops been as ignorant of the teachings of St. Cyprian as this "Connecticut Priest," perhaps they would not have joined with the House of Deputies in enacting section 2, of Canon 11, Title II. "A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or degradation pronounced by him upon a presbyter or deacon; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

1. "That he shall act with the unanimous advice and consent of his Standing Committee."

Will the "Connecticut Priest" explain how the Ohio Bishop, following the injunction of the Canon and the example of St. Cyprian, *could* have restored the "deposed and degraded priest," except "the laity of the Standing Committee" had "united with the Clergy in the restoration?"

And while he is about it, will he, further, explain how he makes his appeal, even to the laity of the Standing Committee (to say nothing of the rest of the laity of the power to consent to the ordination of a Bishop) contrast with the following from the *Apostolic Constitutions* (VIII, 4). "In the first place, therefore, I, Peter say that a Bishop to be ordained is to be, as we already, all of us, appointed, unblameable in all things, a select person, chosen by the whole people, who, when he is named and approved, let the whole assembly, with the presbytery and bishops that are present, on the Lord's day, and let them give their consent."

And when he has done that, will he take in hand a response to this challenge of *Ecumenical Polity*, VIII.

"Wherefore of them which in this point attribute most to the Clergy, I would demand, what evidence there is, whereby it may clearly be showed, that in ancient Kingdoms Christian, any Canon devised by the Clergy alone in their Synods, whether provincial, national, or general, hath, by mere force of their agreement, taken place as a law, making all men constrained to be obedient thereunto, without any other approbation from the King, before or afterwards, required in that behalf."

"They looked steadily," says the "Connecticut Priest," (speaking of *Ecumenical Polity* and his Clergy,) "to the original of the Church, and in that history they saw all authority and power given to the Apostolic ministry. There was not a trace to be found any where of any power of government being shared with the Clergy by the laity." So the "Connecticut Priest."

Looking on the contrary, looking as "steadily" to the same "original," was a sectary to the Council at Jerusalem, (Acts xv,) saw no such exclusive gift of authority to the clergy. "Till it be proved," he says, in the *Ecumenical text* preceding the one just quoted from, "that some special law or decree has ever annexed unto the clergy alone the power to make laws, we are to hold it a thing most consonant with equity and justice, that Ecclesiastical laws be made in a Christian Commonwealth, by the consent as well of the Laity as of the Clergy, but least of all without the highest Power."

And so, in our own day. The late Bishop of Maryland, who, for nearly a century, before the division of the Diocese, went in and out of the Convention, and whom we all looked up to as the champion of prerogative, at the Convention of 1869, the first held after the division, thus puts himself on record:

"I have believed, but one companion among the nearly forty dioceses of the Union, in excluding the laity from representation in the Standing Committee of this body. When I came to my present position, I thought it would be certainly a desirable distinction. The thought and expectation of many years have satisfied me that I was mistaken. I now believe it would be the lay element from our Standing Committee as a body, that would be most unfortunate in result."

And so, in the future, because a main function of the Standing Committee is the admission to the Holy Ministry—a function to which the laity are pointing as becoming daily more and more

important—and in the discharge of that function the Church in primitive ages, and our mother Church in England since the Reformation, have rightly attached much consequence to the testimony and assent of the laity. In England, the requisition of the '*Si quis*' provides for the lay testimony and assent, before the Bishop can ordain. Practically, perhaps, its use has fallen into much neglect; but the provision of the Church is such.

"I can find in the provisions of our Church no equivalent of equally sure operation in behalf of the laity, unless the diocesan laity have its representation in the Standing Committee. It is possible, for example, in this Diocese, for a minister of another body of Christians to find his way into the diaconate without a layman of the Diocese having a word to say on the subject. I think this ought not so to be; and, besides, even in ordinary cases, I think the different kind of knowledge of the world which may be expected in a leading layman as compared with any clergyman, likely to be of especial value in the judicial estimate of character, which a Standing Committee has to form in deciding whether to recommend a candidate for Holy Orders for admission. . . For the interest of the clergy themselves, it appears to me to be undesirable and wrong that they should be compelled to maintain toward the community in which they minister the attitude of a close corporation, holding in their own hand alone the means of access to their own position.

"The exclusion of the laity, which for these reasons seems to me wrong in principle, I have also been led to think unfortunate in result, by observation of the multiplicity of occasions in which a Standing Committee is liable to find itself embarrassed in the fulfilment of its duties for want of exact legal knowledge, of legal habits of thought, and especially of familiarity with established rules of evidence. In past years I have but too much occasion to know full well that my brethren of the Standing Committee of this Diocese, with their Bishop, might have been saved many a troublous perplexity and many a weary hour of labor, by the participation in their action of but one such member of the legal profession, as would without doubt have found his way into their body, had it been open to representatives of the laity."

The Bishop concludes with a *motion*, "under the Sixth Article of the Constitution," (which, unlike ours, expressly authorizes him thereto,) to amend Article 9 so as to make the Standing Committee consist of four clergymen and four laymen. When this motion came up, the following day, for consideration, it was amended, on motion of Mr. Bernard Carter, so as to provide for five clergymen and three laymen, and in this shape was preliminarily adopted by 45 to 32 of the clergy and 43 to 12 of the laity; but when it came up the following year for final action, it was defeated by noes 46 to ayes 40 of the clergy, though the lay vote stood 48 in the affirmative to 31 in the negative.

It will be observed that the Bishop says that the Church in primitive ages attached much consequence to the testimony and assent of the laity. In an article by him in the *Church Review*, vol. XIII, (1858,) pp. 88-127, in reply to Dr. Pusey, he shows beyond all peradventure that for more than six hundred years, and until after the time of Gregory the Great, the laity had the

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Such, "in the light of fundamental principles and Churchly traditions," are the functions of the Laity in the Ecclesiastical Commonwealth. Viewed in that light, it is not "Connecticut and Maryland," and Easton, it is the other forty-six Dioceses, that have "stood by the ancient landmarks," building, it may be, "wiser than they knew," but doing it under the inspiration of the Great Master Builder. Under that inspiration, the General Church, legislating deliberately, and on this point at least, wisely, (for so far as principle does not stand in the way the ecclesiastical and the civil commonwealth should be cast in the same mould,) has not only recognized as a fact the presence of the lay element in the forty-six Standing Committees, but has enacted it as a law in those portions of the field where it has exclusive jurisdiction; requiring the appointment by the Bishop of each Missionary Jurisdiction, annually, of two Presbyters and two lay communicants to perform the duties of a Standing Committee; and extending the requisition, where practicable and advisable, even to Foreign (Heathen) Jurisdictions.—See Canon 15, Title I, Sections 7 and 8.

Such is the deliberate voice of the Church. If that voice is wrong, if the lay element is out of place in our Standing Committees, it is equally out of place in our General and Diocesan Conventions; if the one is to be eliminated, the other should be also; and then the Church becomes what she was not in Cyprian's day, and for hundreds of years before and after, a close corporation.

For these reasons I am clearly of the opinion that the lay element should have place on the Standing Committee. I therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That Article XI of the Constitution be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words, "consisting of five members, shall be chosen from among the order of Priests," and substituting therefor the words, "consisting of five Presbyters, and two Laymen, communicants of this Church, shall be chosen;" so that the first sentence shall read as follows: "Before the adjournment of each Annual Convention, a Standing Committee, consisting of five Presbyters, and two Laymen, communicants of this Church, shall be chosen by a joint ballot of the Clergy and Laity."

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. STEARNS.

of *Easton*, 1887.

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Messrs. Buck and H. B. Mar-
and Messrs. Woolford and Legg

being elected as members of the

F. Barber, D. D.,
A. Mitchell,
Roberts,
W. Hilliard,
B. Walker.

Bryan, the ballot was dispensed
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Messrs. I. L. Adkins,
M. D.

Messrs. I. L. Adkins, Geo. R.

The Rev. J. A. Mitchell
T. Handcastle and John C.

The Rev. W. Y. Bea-
I. L. Adkins.

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CANON XXVI.

On the Right of Lay Delegates to a seat and vote in Convention.

No Lay Delegate shall on any consideration be hereafter admitted to a seat and vote in the Convention of this Diocese, until he shall have produced a certificate of his election in the Form following, to be signed by the Registrar of the Parish.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT ——— and ——— as his alternate, both being members of the Congregation, have been duly appointed by the Vestry of ——— (a Vestry elected by legally enrolled members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Easton) to represent it at the next Convention of said Church in the Diocese of Easton.

Witness my hand this ——— day of ——— 18—

Registrar or Warden.

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DECLARATION BY LAY DELEGATE.—I do hereby declare my belief in the Christian Religion, and attachment to the Protestant Episcopal Church, and profess myself a member thereof.

Lay Delegate ——— Alternate.

and the Secretary is hereby directed to send to the Rector of each Parish or separate Congregation in the same envelope with a notice of the meeting of the next Convention, not less than three weeks before the meeting of said Convention, two copies of the above form of certificate, and the Rector of each Parish, or if there be no Rector the Registrar or one of the Wardens or Vestrymen shall deliver one of said copies to the Lay Delegate elected, and shall send the other copy to the Secretary of the Convention at least one week before the meeting thereof.

E. J. STEARNS.

W. Y. BEAVEN,

JAMES A. PEARCE.

After some discussion the Canon failed of adoption.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was resolved to proceed to the election of a Bishop at 4 P. M.

The Rev. E. K. Miller, who was called away from yesterday's session, appeared and took his seat.

The Convention then adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 4 P. M. After prayer, the President announced, that the Standing Committee approved the nomination by the Northern Convocation of the Rev. Wm. Schouler as Dean.

Mr. Pearce offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Since the death of our beloved Bishop, the administration of the Diocese has largely devolved upon the President of the Standing Committee, and this Convention desires to recognize his faithful services in that behalf, therefore,

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., President of the Standing Committee, out of the interest from the Episcopal Fund, the sum of \$150 for each of the years 1886 and 1887.

Mr. Pearce, from the Committee on Canons, reported as follows:

The Committee on Canons to which was referred the Resolution of the Vestry of Augustine Parish, designating the Church of the Good Shepherd as the Parish Church, subject to the approval of the Convention, respectfully report that they find the Vestry authorized to take this action by the Act of Assembly of 1886, ch. 212, and they find the proceedings of the Vestry to be regular in all respects.

E. J. STEARNS,
W. Y. BEAVEN,
J. A. PEARCE.

The Rev. Mr. Schouler moved that the consent of the Convention be given to the change of the Parish Church of Augustine Parish from St. Augustine Church to the Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, which was adopted.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Bishop.

After silent Prayer and suitable Collects, the Rev. Theo. P. Barber, D. D., nominated the

Rt. Rev. William Forbes Adams, D. D., Missionary Bishop, retired.

The Rev. H. B. Martin nominated the

Rev. J. N. Steele.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy and lay delegates, and the tellers retired to count the vote.

The Rev. Mr. Walker presented the report of the Committee on the Episcopal Fund :

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund, to which have been referred the report of the Trustees and the statement of the Treasurer of said Fund, beg to submit the following report:

Upon a careful examination of the above mentioned papers, as well as the list of investments furnished by the Treasurer, several noteworthy facts are apparent.

The prudence and success of the Trustees in the care of this most important fund, are manifested by the statement that the investments have a market value of some \$2000 above par.

Then the Fund has now reached a point, at which the salary of \$2500 is reasonably secure—a result certainly to be gratefully appreciated.

At the same time however, we cannot conceal from ourselves the truth, that while the Fund will yield the amount required for the salary, if nothing interferes with the payment of the usual dividends and interest to be expected from the investments, the margin is too small to permit your Committee to feel at ease on the matter—without further effort.

This margin would have been somewhat increased if all the Parishes had paid in full their assessments in behalf of the Fund.

That they have not done so, is apparent when we say that going only back to last year's Journal, we find that the Treasurer and Committee received a total of \$343.20, a deficiency of \$156.80, as compared with the assessment of \$500. And this year the total receipts from different Parishes has been \$314.55, leaving unpaid \$185.45.

This non-payment on the part of a number of the Parishes, and particularly the increase of the deficiency this year, require us to face the matter squarely, and decide upon the best course for the future. Your Committee fully realize the financial difficulties of recent years, yet it will not do to ascribe the deficiency to them altogether—for some of the *weaker* Parishes have paid in full year by year. To be candid, we would say, that, as we have heard from more than one source, much is due to the feeling that, as we have had no Bishop, it was useless to pay these charges on the Parishes. Certainly those that argue in this way must forget that it works injustice to those who do meet their assessments, and further, that if all had acted in the same way, the result would have impaired to a material extent, the whole Fund which now yields the salary required.

But without going into details or arguing further upon the matter, your Committee feel that this Convention should now decide if the Parishes are to be assessed again with the distinct understanding that all, if any, are to be required to bear their proportion of the amount.

This seems to your Committee to be the only safe course; for while the margin between the expected yield of the investments, and the amount to be paid as salary is so narrow, it must also be remembered that we have no provision for the renting of a house for the Bishop to be provided until the

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Mr. Pearce

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The President thereupon announced that the Rt. Rev. William Forbes Adams, D. D., having received a majority of the votes of the clergy, and a majority of the votes of the laity, is duly elected Bishop of the Diocese of Easton.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Murphy, the election was made unanimous.

On the motion of the Rev. W. Y. Beaven, the Secretary was authorized to inform the Rt. Rev. Dr. Adams of his election by telegraphic despatch.

And, on the motion of the Rev. Mr. Walker, the President and Secretary of the Convention were authorized to give to the Bishop-elect official notice of his election.

The Rev. Mr. Ware offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to insert a memorial page in the Journal to the late Rev. Lewis Walke, Dean of the Northern Convocation.

Mr. T. K. Robson, from the Committee on Accounts, presented their report.

The Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the reports of the Treasurer of the Convention, the Treasurer of Clergy Relief Fund, the Treasurer of the Board of Diocesan Missions, the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, respectfully beg leave to report, that we have carefully examined each of the reports, and find that the accounts stand as follows:

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer of the Convention.*

Cash received during the year.....	\$854 75
Disbursements	847 38
Balance in hand June 1st, 1887.	\$ 7 37

E. L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer of the Clergy Relief Fund.*

Cash received during the year.....	\$497 13
Disbursements	155 09
Balance in hand.....	\$ 342 04
Amount Invested on account of the fund	4,742 04
Increase during the year.....	479 13

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer of the Board of Diocesan Missions.*

Cash received during the year	\$1,464 34
Disbursements	1,637 88
Amount overpaid.....	\$ 173 54

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund.*

Cash received during the year, including balance in hand June 1st, 1886.....	\$ 4,848 22
Disbursements and Investments during the year	4,848 22
Cash in hand from Interests and Dividends.....	2,510 99
Par value of the Fund invested.....	41,025 00

All of which is respectfully submitted, June 2nd, 1887.

T. K. ROBSON,
EDW. W. HEPBRON,
Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Du Hamel offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the Convention express appreciation of the admirable arrangements made by the Rector and Vestry of this parish for the entertainment of the Convention, and for the excellent music furnished by the Choir on the occasion of Divine Service.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Bryan, the Treasurer was authorized to pay the Sexton of this Church \$10.

On nomination by the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, the Rev. W. Y. Beaven and the Rev. Charles E. Buck were elected clerical members of the Advisory Committee of the Home of Friendless Children.

The Rev. Mr. Batte, from the Committee on Parochial Assessments, reported as follows:

The Committee on Parochial Assessments, beg leave to report that the following sums have been received from the Parishes on account of Convention Fund for the year ending June 1st, 1887:

Salisbury Parish	\$ 30 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	40 00
Pocomoke Parish.....	18 00
Coventry Parish.....	10 00
Carried forward.....	\$98 00

Brought forward.....	\$ 98 00
.....	30 00
.....	10 00
.....	60 00
.....	5 00
.....	8 00
.....	20 00
.....	10 00
Church, Port Deposit.	12 50
.....	40 00
..... Parish.	12 00
..... Parish, Cecil Co.	20 00
..... Parish, Cecil Co.	2 00
..... Parish.	8 00
..... Anne's.	15 00
.....	50 00
.....	5 00
.....	20 00
..... St. John's, Kent.	20 00
..... Church, Kent Island.	15 00
..... St. John's, Q. A.	10 00
..... River.	14 00
..... Saints'.	14 00
..... Peter's.	50 00
..... Hemmarsh.	25 00
..... Hallows'.	18 00
..... Worcester Parish.	15 00
..... Spney.	5 00
Total receipts.	\$611 50
Due from St. Michael's.	\$14 00
“ “ St. Mary's Whitechapel.	8 00
“ “ I. U.	1 00
“ “ St. Paul's by the Sea.	5 00
Total due Convention Fund.	\$28 00

The Committee recommend the following resolution, in order to meet the expenses for year ending first Wednesday in June, 1888.

Resolved, That the Convention Fund be assessed upon the Parishes as follows:

St. John's, Caroline.	\$ 5 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.	8 00
St. Mary Anne's.	15 00
Trinity, Elkton.	20 00

Augustine.....	2 00
N. Sassafras.....	30 00
St. James', Port Deposit.....	12 50
Dorchester.....	8 00
East New Market.....	8 00
Great Choptank.....	30 00
Vienna.....	5 00
Chester.....	40 00
L. U.....	1 00
North Kent.....	20 00
St. Paul's, Kent.....	20 00
Shrewsbury.....	20 00
Wye.....	10 00
Christ Church.....	15 00
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	10 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	40 00
Coventry.....	10 00
Somerset.....	40 00
St. Michael's.....	14 00
Miles River.....	14 00
All Saints'.....	14 00
St. Peter's.....	50 00
Whitemarsh.....	25 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
Pocomoke.....	18 00
Spring Hill.....	12 00
Salisbury.....	80 00
All Hallows'.....	18 00
Worcester.....	15 00
Stepney.....	8 00
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	5 00

All of which is respectfully submitted,

A. BATTE,
JOHN R. PURNELL,
THOS. H. WILLIAMS.

The resolution appended was adopted.

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Buck, it was

Resolved, That the Parochial Reports be made out from Easter Day to Easter Day.

On the motion of Mr. Geo. R. Goldsborough, the Secretary was authorized to print 750 copies of the Journal.

On the motion of Mr. Thos. H. Williams, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention be held in Christ Church, Cambridge.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Du Hamel, it was

Resolved, That the Secretary insert in the Parochial Reports the name of the Registrar of each Parish.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, it was

Resolved, That when this Convention adjourns, it adjourn subject to the call of the President.

On the motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, the Convention adjourned until 8 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 8 P. M.

Evening prayer was said by the Rev. Messrs. Joyner and Mitchell. The Rt. Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., preached from Acts xxvi, 25.

After service the President called the Convention to order.

The Rev. Mr. Hilliard presented the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and the accompanying resolution was adopted :

The Committee on the State of the Church beg leave respectfully to report that they have carefully examined and tabulated the Parochial Reports submitted to them, thirty-two in number, and are able to present the following as a summary of their contents:

Baptisms—Adults	31
Infants	411
Confirmations	128
Communicants added	199
Sunday Schools—Teachers	220
Scholars..	1,580
Offerings—General	\$761 15
Parochial	\$27,093 47

Diocesan reported elsewhere.

They note also the following facts:

IN SOMERSET PARISH.—Guild of 174 members. Preparation for Parish Building. St. Andrew's Church improved and furnished richly with all churchly requisites and ornaments. Rectory enlarged at cost of \$1,100. Church at Monie much improved. Crowded congregations.

IN NORTH ELK PARISH.—Disaster by strikes, but great liberality.

IN ST. LUKE'S, QUEEN ANNE'S.—School building recovered. Font and organ provided. Chapel furnished.

IN COVENTRY PARISH.—St. Mark's, Kingston, improved. New Font in St. Stephen's, Fairmont. Rectory improved. Good prospect at Crisfield.

IN NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH.—Lamented death of Rector.

IN SALISBURY PARISH.—Church destroyed, but soon to be rebuilt.

IN SPRING HILL PARISH.—Church repaired; Rectory paid for; two new mission stations; Sisterhood very useful.

IN CHESTER PARISH.—Sunday Congregations large.

IN POCONOKE PARISH.—Chancel and robing room enlarged. Improvements in Churchyard by Guild. Chancel adorned by dossal. Large class of colored girls formed by a lady of the parish.

IN ST. PAUL'S, QUEEN ANNE'S.—New organ for Sunday School. A handsome memorial pulpit.

IN ST. PAUL'S, KENT.—Church building about to undergo repairs.

IN STEPNEY PARISH.—Green Hill Church restored.

IN ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE.—New carpet in Chapel.

IN ALL HALLOWS' PARISH.—New tower and bell at Stockton. Rectory at Snow Hill enlarged.

IN CHRIST CHURCH, QUEEN ANNE'S.—Lands improved.

IN SHREWSBURY PARISH.—Handsome memorial marble altar in Parish Church; cross and vases at Galena.

IN ALL SAINTS', TALBOT.—Church repaired and painted.

The Church in this Diocese is alive and at work. In proportion to her means, her contributions for Diocesan and Parochial objects are not stinted. For general objects we wish they were larger. We offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, GOD has blessed us hitherto, and we have in a measure though inadequately, striven to use his gracious gifts aright,

Resolved, That we earnestly seek His blessing for the time to come and pledge ourselves to renewed and increased efforts to do Him service.

F. W. HILLIARD,
WM. SCHOULER,
I. L. ADKINS,
WM. MCKENNEY,

Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Schouler reported the following Minute, which was adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty GOD, in His wise and loving Providence to bring to its earthly close a long and devoted career of labor on the part of our beloved brother and associate, the Reverend Lewis Walke, late Rector of North Sassafra's Parish, and Dean of the Northern Convocation of the Diocese of Easton; therefore be it

Resolved, That we shall treasure with gratitude the remembrance of his godly example; of the warm Christian sympathy that rendered him indeed a true "son of consolation;" and of the fraternal spirit that ever marked his intercourse with brethren in the Ministry.

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to communicate to the family of the deceased the action of this body, with our hearty sympathy and prayers in their great affliction.

(Signed)

WM. SCHOULER,
JAMES A. MITCHELL,
DAVID P. DAVIS,
Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Roberts presented the report of the Committee on New Parishes:

The Committee on Admission of new Parishes to which was referred the application from the Rector and Vestry of St. John's Parish, Caroline, and from sundry citizens of Greensboro' members of said Parish, for the division thereof; respectfully report that they have examined the same, and that inasmuch as the consent of the Rector and Vestry is expressed for said division, and no objections have been received from any source, your Committee submit in accord with said application the following resolution, for such action as the Convention may deem proper to take thereon:

Resolved, That all that part of St. John's Parish, Caroline Co., lying north and east of the following lines, viz: beginning on the Choptank River at a point known as the Brick Mills, and running thence with the county road until it intersects the road from Greensboro' to Hillsboro', thence with said road southward until it reaches the county road, leading from the Denton and Hillsboro' road, opposite Dr. Atkinson's farm to Jumptown, then with said county road by Jumptown, and the mills owned by Mr. Garey in Queen Anne's Co., until it reaches the line bounding the present Parish:

Be, and the same is hereby taken from St. John's Parish, and be constituted a separate Parish, to be called the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Greensboro'.

For Petition, (see Appendix.)

On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Bryan, the resolution was laid over until the next Convention.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with, and on the motion of the Rev. Dr. Stearns, after a brief address by the President, and prayer, and the benediction by Bishop Watson, the Convention adjourned.

THEO. P. BARBER,
President.

JAMES A. MITCHELL,
Secretary.

WILLIAM S. WALKER,
Assistant Secretary.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CAROLINE COUNTY.

St. John's Parish.

Wardens.—W. T. Downes and I. G. Bond.

Vestrymen.—Dr. T. S. Reynolds, J. M. Wooters, I. P. Manlove, Geo. W. Ernst, J. S. Mitchell, A. J. Morgan, John H. Holt, Charles R. Wooters.

Registrar. ———.

Families 36; Souls 180; Baptisms, Adults 3, Infants 35, Total 38; Confirmed 17; Marriages 4; Burials 7; Communicants added 17, removed 1, present number 66; Sunday School, Teachers 3; Scholars 30.

Contributions.—For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$13; Home for Friendless Children \$1.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$300; amount paid \$300; Current Expenses \$18; Improvements and Repairs \$110; Charities \$5.

Church Property.—Holy Trinity Church, Sittings 300; Value \$3,000; St. Paul's Chapel, Sittings 150; Value \$3,000; the Parish owns five acres of land, assessed at \$400.

The Rector was able during the season of Lent to give the people in Denton, St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish, six week day services, there being no Rector. He, also, officiated at two burials in said Parish, and baptized one infant. A carpet costing \$70, has been put down in the Chapel here through the generous interest of the congregation.

GEO. F. BEAVEN, *Rector.*

CECIL COUNTY.

Augustine Parish.

Wardens.—Joseph H. Steele and Byron Bouchelle.

Vestrymen.—Joseph H. Steele, Byron Bouchelle, Benj. P. Hanson, Wm. T. Price, G. Oldham Massey, Geo. W. Kebler, Wm. T. Harriott, Robert H. Baker.

Registrar.—Byron Bouchelle.

Families 15; Souls 95; Baptisms, Infants 5; Marriages 1; Burials 1; Communicants, died 1, removed 5, present number 21; Sunday School, Teachers 5; Scholars 63.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Colored \$1; American Church Building Fund \$2.50; Rebuilding of Charleston, S. C., Churches \$3.

For Diocesan Uses—Convention Fund \$3; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$2.10; Diocesan Missions \$10.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$150; amount paid \$148; Current Expenses \$46.96; Additional receipts \$3.48; For all other purposes \$25.12.

Church Property—St. Augustine Church, Sittings 195; value \$1,000; Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, Sittings 150; value \$6,000; Insured for \$2,000.

WM. SCHOULER, *Rector*

St. James' Parish.

Wardens—W. W. Hopkins and R. E. McClenahan.

Vestrymen—D. E. Armstrong, J. F. Mohrlein, E. J. Rinehart, W. W. Hopkins, J. A. B. Martin, W. H. Noble, M. D., R. E. McClenahan, J. W. Beavan.

Registrar—Jas. A. B. Martin.

Baptisms, Infant 1; **Marriages** 2; **Burials** 2; **Communicants**, removed 1.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$10; Convention Fund \$23.30; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$6; Diocesan Missions \$33.45; Home for Feeble-minded Children \$5.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500; amount paid \$498; Current Expenses \$167.86; Improvements and Repairs \$30.52; Communion Alms \$7.10.

Church Property—1 Church, Sittings 250; Insured for \$3,000.

JACOB MILLER, *Rector*.

St. Mary's or North Elk Parish.

Wardens—Samuel L. Chamberlaine and Samuel Whitney Day.

Vestrymen—Henry S. Coudon, S. L. Chamberlaine, George P. Whitaker, Joseph Coudon, William Craig, Wilson L. Coudon, Samuel W. Day.

Registrar—Henry S. Coudon.

Members 64; **Souls** 332; **Baptisms**, Adults 1, Infants 58, Total 59; **Marriages** 18; **Burials** 24; **Communicants**, added 15, died 2, removed 17, present number 22; actually communicating 71; **Sunday School**, Teachers 8; **Scholars** 100.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$4; Domestic Missions \$10; Foreign Missions \$6.50; For the Million Dollar Endowment \$100.

For Diocesan Uses—Episcopal Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$3; Diocesan Missions \$30.55.

For Parochial Uses—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$698; Current Expenses \$193; Improvements and Repairs \$100; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$55; Special gifts for Rector \$90; Sunday School Purposes \$25.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,000; Saint Mary's Church, Sittings 250; value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; Saint Mark's Chapel, Sittings 100; value \$1,800; Saint John's in the Wilderness Chapel, Sittings 100; value \$1,000; Insured for \$750; the Parish owns 18 acres of land; Repairing Saint Mark's Chapel \$100.

The past year has been of great trial to the Parish, for there has been a good deal of distress on account of the long strike among the working men, which lasted nearly half a year, and which affected our congregation, and has caused a falling off in our contributions, and were it not for the devotion of the people, many of whom voluntarily increased their subscription to the Rector's salary—it would be impossible to keep on with the work without necessary aid.

ENOCH K. MILLER, *Rector*.

North Sassafras.

Wardens.—David P. Davis and George Biddle.

Vestrymen.—George Biddle, Wm. Ward, David P. Davis, Henry W. Black, Thos. C. Cruikshank, H. S. Cochran, H. N. Uhler, M. D., and G. Porter Lusby.

Registrar.—George Biddle.

Families 17; Souls 75; Baptisms, Infants 14; Marriages 7; Burials 5; Communicants, died 1, removed 10, present number 34; Sunday School, Teachers 6, Scholars 29.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$5; Foreign Missions \$5.47.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Missions \$29.36; Home for Friendless Children \$25; Bishop Lay's Monument \$21.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$173; Improvements and Repairs \$66.10; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$27.44; For all Other Purposes \$199.60.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500; Saint Stephen's Church, Sittings 200; value \$6,000; Insured for \$6,000; Cecilton Chapel, Sittings 125; value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,600; The Parish owns 300 acres of Land, assessed at \$12,075.

Rev. L. Walke, Rector, died March 16, 1887. Since that time the Church has been without a Rector, the Rev. Mr. Walker has officiated four times, and the Rev. Dr. Latimer, of Philadelphia once.

GEORGE BIDDLE, *Registrar*.

Contributions
Building Fund
For Diocesan
\$1.15; Diocesan
For Parsonage
\$100; Current
Purposes \$27.75;
Church
Church of
Insured for

Vestrymen
kins, J.

Baptism
Contributions
\$12.50; Diocesan
Friendless
For Parsonage
\$500; Church
Communion
Church

Vestrymen
Jr.

Family
Marriages
Present number
Scholarship
Contributions
Missionary
Fund \$2
For Parsonage
Clergy Fund
For Parsonage
\$700; Church
Alms for
day School

Wetherell.
R. C. Mackall, John Parsonage,
L. T. Roberts.
Parsonage.

Infants 19; Total 20; Marriages
removed 5; present number

General Missions \$23.70; Colonial
Jews and Orphans' \$9.50; American
of Charleston, S. C., Churches

\$1.50; Diocesan Clergy Relief
for Friendless Children \$8.89;

amount promised \$600; amount paid
ment and Repairs \$77.50; Addi-
\$11.14; For all Other Purposes

\$1.00; Insured for \$3,000; Trinity
Insured for \$3,000; Its Invested

reported for the first week in June
lates confirmed. The Parish has
of two of its prominent mem-
Warren, and Mr. Henry P. Leslie

WM. SCHOULER, *Secretary*

COUNTY.

W. S. S.

and H. S. Carroll.
Messrs. T. K. Carroll, J. H. Edmunds,
W. W. Stapleforte, H. S. Carroll,
Stapleforte.

Infants 3; Confirmed 5; Marriages
present number 34, actually confirmed

Foreign Missions \$1.28; Jews \$1
\$12; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund
Friendless Children \$5; Monument
by fire \$3.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount paid \$72; Current Expenses \$44.92; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$3.72; For all other purposes \$3.20.

Church Property.—Trinity and Grace Churches, Sittings 360; value \$3,500; Insured for (Grace Church) \$3,000.

The rite of Confirmation was administered to those above reported as confirmed, by the Bishop of West Virginia, whose visitation to our Parish was a great comfort and encouragement to us. Two of the candidates in view of the vacancy in our Episcopate, had been previously admitted to the Holy Communion. The personal kindnesses received by the Rector are of much help to him in his work.

WM. WALLACE GREENE, *Rector*.

East New Market Parish.

Wardens.—James T. Jacobs and Thomas J. Helsby.

Vestrymen.—Isaac H. Wright, James H. Thomas, Thomas J. Hicks, Elbridge S. Johnson, W. E. Johnson, Mathew T. J. Smith, W. H. Andrews, T. Leckie.

Registrar.—

Families 26; Souls 120; Confirmed 8; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Communicants, present number 36; Sunday School, Teachers 6; Scholars 30.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$15.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's salary, amount promised \$200; amount paid \$150; Current Expenses \$25.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Stephen's Church, Sittings 120; value \$1,000.

I took charge of this Parish at the beginning of August, 1886, and therefore this report is necessarily imperfect.

ELIJAH J. ROKE, *Rector*.

Great Choptank Parish.

Wardens.—Wm. R. Hayward and Edwin Dashiell.

Vestrymen.—Edward W. Le Compte, G. Warren Mundy, Edwin Dashiell, Wm. H. Barton, Jr., Thos. H. Williams, D. M. Henry, Jr., Henry Lloyd, A. Hamilton Bayly.

Registrar.—A. Hamilton Bayly.

Families 80; Souls 400; Baptisms, Adults 2, Infants 19, Total 21; Confirmed 13; Marriages 5; Burials 13; Communicants, added 12, removed 8, present number 174; Sunday School, Teachers 11; Scholars 115.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$15; Colored \$3.50; Mission to Jewish Race \$4.80; New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society \$5.25.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$10.96.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Amount promised \$800; amount paid \$100; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$10.96; Alms and other Charities for the Diocese of Easton \$100; Liquidation of Principal in part \$500.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Rectory, valued at \$2,300; Insured for \$1,500; Christ Church, valued at \$10,000; Insured for \$15,000; St. John's Chapel, valued at \$1,000; St. James' Church, value \$1,000; Insured for \$1,000.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: The Assistant Minister that we acknowledge his ready zeal in every good work. For many years he has been the Rector's side fighting manfully for the Truth of God.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: The offerings beyond our own bounds to the Diocese, and "The Home for Orphans;" since it will be a great resource to pay the annual interest on the debt and to the Diocese of Easton "Sinking Fund."

THEO. P. BARBER, Rector.

JAMES L. BRYAN, Assist. Minister.

St. John's Parish.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: V. S. Craft and James A. Waddell.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Eugene Hodson, N. J. Kennerly, Albert Webb, F. H. Clash, W. A. Percy.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: James A. Higgins.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Adult 1; Confirmed 4; Burial 1; Communion 2; Sunday School Teachers 2; Scholars 2.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Episcopal Fund \$4; Convention Fund \$4.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Amount promised \$125; Current \$125.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Church, value \$400. The

ELIJAH ROOKE, Rector.

St. John's County.

St. John's Parish.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: V. S. Wicks.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: James A. Pearce, W. S. Walker, E. F. Per-

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Charles T. Westcott, Richard Hynson.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: James A. Pearce.

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: Baptisms 12; Marriages 2; Burials 7; Com-

Diocese of Easton—Parish of St. John's: present number 103; Sunday School,

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$37.70; Domestic \$3; Foreign \$10.33; Church Building Fund \$4.05; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$12.66; Charleston Sufferers \$55.85; Promoting Christianity among the Jews \$7.54.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$21.56; Diocesan Missions \$85.46; Home for Friendless Children \$4.21; Salisbury Sufferers \$8.32; Children's Easter Offering \$38.65.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$742.28; Current expenses \$123.59; Improvements and Repairs \$50; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$80.99.

Church Property.—Rectory, value \$2,000; Emmanuel Church, Sittings 281; value \$8,000; One Chapel, Sittings 85; value \$8,000; Its Invested Fund amounts to two Bonds \$2,000.

During the past year the Sunday congregations have been quite large, the attendance on week days services, very small. I am officiating temporarily in I. U. Parish, on the afternoons of the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, until they succeed in securing the services of a Pastor.

S. C. ROBERTS, *Rector*.

I. U. Parish.

Wardens.—Eugene Bonwell and Philip M. A. Brooks.

Vestrymen.—Joseph H. Hossinger, Edward W. Hepbron, Sam'l W. Willis, John F. Beeks, J. Thos. Kelly, John S. Clayton, Philip M. A. Brooks, Medford M. Rasin.

Registrar.—Ed. W. Hepbron.

Families 30; Baptisms, Infants 19; Burials 1; Communicants, added 5; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 27.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$1; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5; Diocesan Missions \$15; Home for Friendless Children \$3.50; Miscellaneous \$5.

For Parochial Uses.—Sunday School Books \$4.25.

Church Property.—Sexton's house and lot, value \$350; Christ Church, Sittings 200; value \$3,000.

This Church has no Rector.

E. W. HEPBRON, *Rector*.

North Kent Parish.

Wardens.—L. M. Bean and C. S. Hurlock.

Vestrymen.—C. H. B. Massey, Sam'l Cary, Wm. Cary, W. H. Cary, L. M. Bean, C. S. Hurlock and J. T. Shallcross.

Registrar.—L. M. Bean.

Families 29; Baptisms, Adult 1, Infants 8, Total 9; Marriage 1; Burials 3; Communicants, died 3, removed 3, present number 40.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$20; Diocesan Missions \$10; Home for Friendless Children \$2.72.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$30; Improvements and Repairs \$17; Amount paid on Mortgage on Rectory since April 25th, 1886, \$196.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued \$3,000; St. Clement's Church, Sitings 150; value \$6,000; Holy Cross Chapel, value \$1,500.

Rev. Wm. Brittain ceased to be Rector of North Kent Parish, April 1st, 1887.

L. M. BEAN, *Registrar*.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. A. Jessop and Harry Nichols.

Vestrymen.—George Beck, George Bell, S. Constable, J. Rankin, J. Rasin, W. Strong, B. I. Taylor, J. C. Wheatley.

Registrar.—Stevenson Constable.

Families 22; Souls 110; Baptisms, Infants 15; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Communicants, present number 64; Sunday Schools, Teachers 4; Scholars 20.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$16.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; The Parish owns fifty acres of land.

The Church building is about to undergo repairs, but no direct estimate having been made, the amount cannot be inserted.

HENRY WALL, *Rector*.

Shrewsbury Parish.

Wardens.—John C. Sutton and H. C. Wallis.

Vestrymen.—J. M. Armstrong, N. W. Comegys, J. W. Hurtt, D. J. Nowland, E. B. Pennington, E. T. Comegys, F. H. Taylor, G. W. Jacoby.

Registrar.—Medford Armstrong.

Families 67; Souls 205; Baptisms, Infants 8; Confirmed 7; Burials 6; Number last reported 95; Communicants, added 12, died 1, removed 12, present number 94; Sunday Schools, Teachers 8; Scholars 40.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$14; Foreign Missions \$48; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$3.50; Church Building Fund \$6.10; Mission to the Jews \$5.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$20; Convention Fund \$30; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$29.08; Diocesan Missions \$65.65; Home for Friendless Children \$28.78.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$700; amount paid \$700; Current Expenses \$185.28; Improvements and Repairs \$410; Communion Alms and Sunday School \$50.62; Furnishing Rectory and buying horse \$310; Cancelling debt on Sexton's house \$170; For all Other Purposes \$150.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,464; Shrewsbury Church,ittings 200; value \$3,250; Insured for \$2,440; St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena, value \$2,800; Insured for \$1,600; The Parish owns ten acres of land, assessed at \$1,000.

I became Rector on September 18th, 1886. So that this report comes only eight and a half months. It is with gratitude to God and with thanks to my people that I say, that the Parish has manifested an admirable spirit and has come up to its duty with more than usual earnestness and success.

In this Convention Fund as above reported is embraced the extra assessment of \$10, due at the last Convention, but not paid until last fall.

Among the improvements, are a handsome memorial (marble) altar with brass cross, vases and book rest, put in the Parish Church; and also brass memorial cross and vases provided for and soon to be placed in St. Andrew's, Galena.

Rector.

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY.

Christ Church Parish.

Wardens.—Jas. W. Goodhand and Chas. R. Blake.

Vestrymen.—Edw. C. Legg, Jas. W. Goodhand, Wm. B. Goodhand, E. S. Skinner, Chas. R. Blake, Jas. B. Hopkins, Wm. P. Tanner, Wm. P. Thompson.

Registrar.—Ed. C. Legg.

Families 20; Souls 120; Baptisms, Infants 5; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Communicants, present number 40; Sunday School, Scholars 36.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Domestic Missions \$8.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12.50; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Missions \$5.70.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$50; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$10; Altar cloth and hangings \$35; Ladies' Aid Society \$40.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,000; Christ Church,ittings 150; value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,500.

The Committee of the Vestry who have the lands belonging to the Parish in their care, are still making extensive improvements on these farms by way of building necessary barns and fences. Much of these lands which have long lain out as commons are now enclosed and under cultivation. The amount expended in these improvements during the past year is estimated at \$1,000.

P. D. THOMPSON, *Rector.*

sh.

- 1. Washington Collins.
- 2. James Brown, Wm. H. Newman.
- 3. Appleford, Wm. Hurlock.
- 4. James Brown.

1887. Infants 9, Total 10; Confirmed 11; added 12, removed 4, present 19; Scholars 22.

General Missions \$24.51; Charles

Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan \$83; Home for the Friendless \$2.15.

Amount promised \$700; amount paid \$202.42; Church Poor \$25.06.

\$1,400; Insured for \$1,600; St. Luke's \$3,000; St. Andrew's Chapel \$1,000.

about the beginning of the present year from the Parish, during the past

within the Church premises, extending for Parish purposes, about Christmas-tide 1886, of a handsome

Rev. Dr. Morton, of Philadelphia.

LATE BISHOP OF THIS DIOCESE.

marble Font, formerly in St.

comely Altar-Table donated to the appointments at the

Sacraments.

raised for the Chapel through

the Parish.

71. HAMEL, D. D., *Rector.*

sh.

- 1. William B. Earle.
- 2. B. Brown, Richard Holly.
- 3. H. Gibson, E. M. Forman.
- 4. Wright.

Confirmed 1; Marriages 5; present number 141; actual 9; Scholars 65; Parish

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$5.18; Church Building Fund \$6.88; Society for Conversion of Jews \$7.48; Miscellaneous \$2.25.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$24; Convention Fund \$40; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$8.36; Diocesan Missions \$93.68; Home for Friendless Children \$20.42; Miscellaneous \$2.75.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's salary, amount promised \$1,000; amount paid \$1,000; Current Expenses \$203.16; Improvements and Repairs \$285.53; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$106.05; Paid on Rectory Debt \$163; Sunday School \$41.13.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,200; Insured for \$3,000; St. Paul's Church,ittings 350; value \$6,000; Insured for \$4,000; Sunday School Chapel, value \$900; Insured for \$500; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$1,000.

In above report, under item of Improvements and Repairs, it is proper to report that the Ladies' Church Aid Society have expended \$55.53; a new organ has been put in the Sunday School at a cost of \$100, and the Sunday School itself has placed in the Church a pulpit at a cost of \$130, as a memorial to the Rector's daughter, who departed this life last August.

JAMES A. MITCHELL, *Rector*.

TALBOT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES.

Wye Parish.

Wardens.—J. P. Davidson and H. R. Hopkins, M. D.

Vestrymen.—J. P. Davidson, Chas. Cockey, M. D., Wm. McConnor, Geo. DeRoachbrune, R. B. Carmichael, George Davidson, Henry B. Paca, H. R. Hopkins, M. D.

Registrar.—Charles Cockey.

Baptisms, Infants 9; Marriages 3; Burials 2; Communicants, died 1, present number 72; Sunday School, Teachers 4; Scholars 20.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$3; Indian and Colored Missions \$3.50.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Missions \$41.50; Home for Friendless Children \$32.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's salary, amount promised \$500; amount paid \$393.50; Current Expenses \$32.84; Improvements and Repairs \$20.42; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$9.40; For all other purposes \$2.50.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200; St. Luke's Church and Chapel,ittings 350; value \$2,000; The Parish owns 3½ acres of land.

ALBERT WARE, *Rector*.

Y.

Vestrymen.
Robt.

Families
10; Marriages
number 11;
Contributions
ton Church.
For Diocesan
Clergy Relief
Children 8;
For Parsonage
\$700; Current
munions Alms
Church 10;
Church, Site
value \$2,500;
A lot of 21
sent century
year have been
ing the area
space hitherto
Baptismal
IN MEMORIAM
This memorial
Luke's to St.
by the Vestry
Chapel for
A new altar
the efforts of

Wm. Cullen, Jr.
Wm. C. Robertson.
James Curtis, A. B. Turpin, C.
James, J. H. Cullen.
1887.

Baptists 21, Total 22; Confirmed
Baptized 16, died 3, removed 3;
Scholars 80.
Domestic Missions \$10.82; For
Widows and Orphans \$1.23;
Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan
\$56.26; Home for Friendless
promised \$600; amount paid.
Expenses \$43.93; Improvements
other Charities for the Poor

\$1,000; Insured for \$600; St. Stephen's
Insured for \$1,000; St. Mark's
Church, Sitings 200; value

St. Stephen's Church, Kingston, mentioned
the interior of the church has been
repainted. The church now presents
These improvements together with
many have been made at an expense
the exertions of the ladies of St.

belongs to The Ladies' Aid Society of St.
the efficient help in Parish work during
the year, and built a neat altar
which adds much to the comfort and convenience

Vestrymen.
day, Edw.

Families 8;
Burials 8; Church
ally communions
School, Tea

located in St. Stephen's Church, Fairmount, a
by Mr. Jas. Woodside, wife and sisters, in

every other Sunday evening. This
very promising field of labor. A
powerful

Sunday School has been organized with the view of building up a congregation.

The undersigned willingly and cheerfully serves this little flock, in the hope and with the prayer that in due time the Lord will give grace, growth and strength to His people.

The Rector gratefully acknowledges the liberality and thoughtful kindness of his parishioners, during the past year, as manifested in the many useful and valuable gifts and presents that have come to him from all parts of the Parish.

OLIVER H. MURPHY, *Rector*.

Somerset Parish.

Wardens.—H. P. Dashiell and E. O. Smith.

Vestrymen.—Isaac S. Atkinson, Wm. J. Brettingham, H. H. Dashiell, John W. Dashiell, M. D., Wm. H. Gale, M. D., O. A. Jones, Levin Woolford, Robt. J. Waller.

Registrar.—John W. Dashiell, M. D.

Families 80; Souls 550; Baptisms, Adults 5, Infants 13, Total 18; Confirmed 26; Marriages 4; Burials 12; Communicants, added 33, died 6, removed 20, present number 195; actually communicating 172; Sunday Schools, Teachers 20; Scholars 120.

Contributions.—For the Church at Large.—Mission to the Jews \$9.35.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$33; Convention Fund \$40; Convention Fund, extra Assessment \$20; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$23.78; Diocesan Missions \$50; Bishop Lay's Monument \$15.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$714.03; Current Expenses \$171.97; Improvements and Repairs \$1,758.99; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$40.50; For all other purposes \$10.25.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$1,500; St. Andrew's Church,ittings 300; value \$6,000; Insured for \$3,000; All Saints' Chapel, value \$3,000; Insured for \$2,000; The Parish owns about 50 acres of land; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$5,600.

This report covers the period of ten months. I desire to record my hearty appreciation of the cordial reception which attended our coming to the Parish in October last; and of the continued generous care for the comfort of the family at the Rectory shown by all. A large increase in the number of persons attending all the services in both Churches, the heartiness of the services, the good order and reverence give great promise of lasting good. I have been much aided in both Churches by my father, the Rev. John Martin, whose valuable help in the pulpit and elsewhere has done very much towards promoting the present most healthy and satisfactory condition of our Parish work. A Parish Guild, organized in December last, and numbering in the two branches 174 members, is actively at work in the several

departments of Church and Parish work. St. Andrew's Branch is accumulating a fund for the erection of a much needed Parish Building, upon a lot of ground adjoining the Churchyard, which was given to the Parish, on Christmas Day, by the Hon. James U. Dennis. All Saints' Branch has undertaken the enlargement and general improvement of the grounds around, and the graveyard at "Monie" Church.

In St. Andrew's Church much has been done in the way of repairs, improvement and enrichment. A Baptistry has been built at the west door and the Font placed therein. The Church has been newly carpeted throughout; and memorial brasses given as follows: A massive altar cross, Eucharistic candlesticks, vases, altar desk and a pair of seven branch Vesper lights, to the memory of Bishop Lay; a pair of seven-light wall brackets, to the memory of a faithful Sunday School teacher recently deceased. An association of young girls has presented a full set of vestments and altar linen, a handsome dossal and other hangings of red felt. The Association of Little Gleaners has presented a faldstool. The Ministering Children's League, a large oak and brass Font bucket. The Twenty Minutes Society has sent away a missionary box, valued at \$25. One hundred volumes have been added to the Parish Library, by a member of the Parish as a memorial gift. A full set of dossals, stoles and hangings of colors for the several seasons, have been made and given by some of the young ladies. The Ladies' Parish Aid Association continues active and busy, and has in hand a sum nearly sufficient to purchase new lamps for the Church: it also has the care of a child at the Home of the Friendless. Large additions and improvements have been made to the Rectory: all its rooms and halls carpeted, the windows curtained and stoves placed in the building, at a cost of about \$1,100.

In All Saints' Church, Monie, the chancel has been altered and improved, making it more Churchly and convenient: the graveyard enlarged and enclosed: a brass memorial cross and altar desk given by a member of the Congregation. A walnut pulpit Lectern and \$25 worth of Sunday School books, have been received from friends outside the Parish through the Rev. John Martin: also a set of vestments from two young ladies of the Congregation. A full set of handsome new lamps have been given to this Church, and an evening service is held there every Thursday,—the attendance at which is very large, taxing the seating capacity of the building to the uttermost. A Sunday School has been organized, with twelve teachers and over sixty scholars. Many other matters of great interest and encouragement might be reported. Perfect harmony and peace prevail throughout the Parish: Rector and people are greatly encouraged at the hopeful and promising outlook for its future growth and healthy life.

HENRY B. MARTIN, *Rector.*

Wicomico Parish.

Wardens.—Jeff. D. Costen and Lee Griffith.

Vestrymen.—Wm. C. Jones, D. W. Jones, M. D., M. C. Bounds, C. E. Bailey, J. W. Barnett, H. T. Costen, Geo. A. Bounds, A. H. Green.

Registrar.—A. L. Jones.

Families 23; Souls 125; Baptisms, Infants 4; Confirmed 6; Burials 3; Communicants, added 6, present number 33; Sunday School, Teachers 7; Scholars 50.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$11.25.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$100; amount paid \$80; Current Expenses \$12; Communion Alms and Other Charities for the Poor \$5.

Church Property.—Grace Church,ittings 120; value \$1,500.

FRANKLIN B. ADKINS, *Rector.*

SOMERSET AND WORCESTER COUNTIES.

Pocomoke Parish.

Wardens.—C. C. Lloyd and Geo. T. Truitt.

Vestrymen.—C. C. Lloyd, John E. Hayward, Bennett Mason, L. P. Ewell, Geo. T. Truitt, Geo. W. Bailey, E. W. McMaster, Jas. W. Dougherty, Jr.

Registrar.—Geo. T. Truitt.

Families 60; Souls 300; Baptisms, Adult 1, Infants 14, Total 15; Confirmed 7; Marriages 5; Burials 10; Communicants, added 10, died 4, removed 10, present number 113; Actually Communicating 81; Sunday School, Teachers 8; Scholars 90.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—\$7.50; Conversion of Jews \$2.51.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$15; Convention Fund \$18; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$6.25; Diocesan Missions \$30; Home for Friendless Children \$3.57.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$400; amount paid \$350; Current Expenses \$102.77; Improvements and Repairs \$125.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,250; St. Mary's Church,ittings 250; value \$5,000; Insured for \$3,000; St. Stephen's Chapel, value \$1,000; School House and Lot \$100; its Invested Fund amounts to \$445.45.

The enlargement of the chancel and robing room has been completed, the new chancel being treated, by special request, as a memorial of Bishop Lay, and bearing at the sides of the window, the words "To the Glory of God—and in memory of Henry C. Lay, First Bishop of Easton." The Guild has

WILKES COUNTY.

St. Paul's Parish.

Wm. R. Goldsborough and A. Powell Neal.
Wm. R. Goldsborough, G. R. Goldsborough, H. The
St. Paul's Thomas Hopkins, Sr., Charles N

Wm. R. Goldsborough.

Wm. R. Goldsborough. Adults 2, Infants 20, Total 22; M
Wm. R. Goldsborough. 2, removed 1, present number 63
Wm. R. Goldsborough. School Teachers 6; Scholars 70.
Wm. R. Goldsborough. at Large.—General Missions \$42.50
Wm. R. Goldsborough. \$14.40; Charleston Sufferers

Wm. R. Goldsborough. Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$14; I
Wm. R. Goldsborough. Missions \$35.18; Home for Fr
Wm. R. Goldsborough. New Church in Salisbury \$29.09; Fo

Wm. R. Goldsborough. Salary, amount promised \$600; amot
Wm. R. Goldsborough. Improvements and Repairs \$26; Com
Wm. R. Goldsborough. \$20 from two Mite Chests for Episcopa
Wm. R. Goldsborough. Chapel at Cordova \$51.71; Total colle

Wm. R. Goldsborough. valued at \$3,000; Insured for \$2,300; All
Wm. R. Goldsborough. Insured for \$6,000; Good Shepherd
Wm. R. Goldsborough. owns 33 acres of land.
Wm. R. Goldsborough. Chapel at Cordova. As reported last yea

Miles River Parish.

Wardens.—Dr. Charles Lowndes and C. Howard Lloyd.

Vestrymen.—Dr. Charles Lowndes, Robert Hough, C. Howard Lloyd, David C. Trimble, J. H. Wheeler, Louis Trail, Francis Berry, T. H. Oliver.

Registrar.—Robert Hough.

Families 26; Souls 110; Baptisms, adult 1, Infants 7, Total 8; Confirmed 5; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants, added 5, removed 3, present number 49; Actually Communicating 45.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$2.40; Foreign 6; Jews' Missions \$2.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$14; Diocesan Missions \$50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$500; Current Expenses \$46.54; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$41.54.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,800; Insured for \$1,200; Church value \$10,000; The Parish owns 2½ acres of land.

J. W. CHESLEY, *Rector*.

St. Michael's Parish.

Wardens.—George W. Taylor, Sr. and A. K. Easter, Jr.

Vestrymen.—G. W. Tyler, E. Denny, A. K. Easter, W. Willis, W. Caulk, M. D., S. Harrison, J. C. Adams, ——— McDaniel.

Registrar.—H. K. George.

Families 62; Souls 300; Baptisms, Infants 3; Confirmed 3; Marriage 1, Burials 2; Communicants, added 1, present number 85; Actually Communicating 65; Sunday School, Teachers 9; Scholars 60.

Contributions For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$21.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$800; amount paid \$800; Current Expenses \$300; Improvements and Repairs (Rectory) \$165; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$33.85.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$2,000; Christ Church,ittings 350; value \$15,000; Insured for \$5,000, St. Paul's Royal Oak Chapel, value \$1,000; Holy Innocents' Chapel, value \$800; its Invested Fund amounts to \$3,000.

A vacancy in the Rectorship for part of the year is the cause of incompleteness in the report, which is made out from Easter Monday to Easter Monday, 1887.

ERNEST MCGILL, *Rector*.

St. Peters' Parish.

Wardens.—Geo. W. Minnick and Richard T. Martin.

Vestrymen.—Dr. I. L. Adkins, Dr. Jno. C. Earle, M. T. Goldsborough, Dr. J. E. M. Chamberlaine, E. L. F. Hardcastle, F. C. Goldsborough, Oswald Tilghman, Wm. G. Dawson.

Registrar.—G. E. Haddaway.

Families 73; Souls 325; Baptisms, Infant 10; Confirmed 4; Marriages 6; **Burials 7;** Communicants, added 6, died 2, removed 9, present number 135; **Sunday School,** Teachers 13; Scholars 125.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Foreign Missions \$24.51; Work among the Jews \$12.32; Special for Chinese Orphanage from Sunday School \$19.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$40; Convention Fund \$50; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$38.73; Diocesan Missions \$189.30; Home for Friendless Children \$71.18.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,200; amount paid \$1,300; Current Expenses \$832.75; Improvements and Repairs \$283.16; Charities to the Poor \$135.38; For Sunday School Purposes \$80.37; all Other Purposes \$131.83.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$4,000; Insured for \$3,000; Christ Church, value \$16,000; Insured for \$12,000; Sunday School Chapel, value \$2,500; Insured \$2,000.

CHARLES E. BUCK, *Rector.*

Trinity Cathedral Parish.

Trustees.—H. E. Bateman, P. F. Thomas, J. Frank Bateman, Paul Winchester, Charles Seymour, T. K. Robson.

Lay Reader.—S. E. Whitman.

Registrar.—S. E. Whitman.

Families 40; Souls 135; Baptisms, Infants 2; Confirmed 5; Communicants, added 10, removed 4, present number 65; actually communicating 55; **Sunday School,** Teachers 12; Scholars 95.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—Missions to the Jews \$3.01.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$8; Convention Fund \$10; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$5.13; Diocesan Missions \$50; Home for Friendless Children \$33.76.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$87.36; Carpet for the Chapel and painting the Clergy House \$193.20; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$26.25; Sufferers in Charleston, S. C., \$25; Bishop Lay Monument, additional, \$2.

Church Property.—Trinity Cathedral, Clergy House. valued at \$2,750; Insured for \$2,000; Furniture insured for \$400; Trinity Cathedral Church, Sittings 175; valued at \$800; Chapel insured for \$500; Furniture insured for \$200; Holy Cross Chapel, Easton Point, Sittings 75; valued at \$400; The large lot owned by the Cathedral is valued at say \$2,500; The Cathedral has an Invested Fund of \$300.

JOHN O. BARTON, *Temporarily Officiating.*

Whitemarsh Parish.

Wardens.—John W. Martin and Dr. Alexander Matthews.

Vestrymen.—Joseph B. Seth, Robert Bartlett, James T. Bartlett, James H. Benson, J. W. Martin, Dr. Alex. Matthews.

Registrar.—Jas. T. Bartlett.

Families 74; Souls 325; Baptisms, Infants 14; Communicants, present number 114; Sunday School, Teachers 5; Scholars 28.

Contributions.—For Church at Large.—Indian Missions \$5; Church Building Fund \$15.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$25; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$22.59; Diocesan Missions \$15.80; Home for Friendless Children \$45.75.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$600; amount paid \$600; Current Expenses \$235.82; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$5.03.

Church Property.—Rectory. valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; Trappe. St. Paul's Church Sittings 250; Value 3,500; Insured for \$2,500; Oxford, Grace Chapel, value \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000.

Having, so recently, entered upon my duties, as Rector of "Whitemarsh Parish," the above report is, necessarily, largely based upon, the last report of my predecessor.

J. E. JACKSON, *Rector.*

WICOMICO COUNTY.

Salisbury Parish.

Wardens.—E. W. Humphrey and Elijah T. Parsons.

Vestrymen.—John White, Thomas Perry, George W. Waller, S. Q. Johnson, W. R. Trader, G. R. Rider, C. C. Waller.

Registrar.—C. C. Waller.

Families 108; Souls 407; Baptisms, Infants 10; Burials 7; Communicants, added 1, present number about 125; Sunday School, Teachers 13; Scholars 125; Parish School, Teachers 1; Scholars 24.

Contributions—Convntion Fund \$30; Diocesan Missions \$77.18.

For Diocesan Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$1,000 per annum; amount paid five months \$416.07; Current Expenses \$123.72.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,500; Insured for \$1,500; the Parish owns 11 acres of land; assessed at \$1,000.

This report is very imperfect. The Parish Church was destroyed in the fire which burnt down the whole business part of the town last October. The Rector resigned soon after, and, since May the Parish, which worshiped in the Court House of the county, was without a resident Priest. The Parish intends to rebuild the Church at once.

CHARLES F. SWEET, *Rector*.

Spring Hill Parish.

Wardens.—Ezekiel Hitch and J. Frank Collier.

Rector's Wardens.—Jonathan Waller and James M. Jones.

Vestrymen.—Geo. W. Hitch, Wm. Howard, Albert L. Jones, Horace Venables, Thos. J. Turpin, James A. Waller, Geo. W. Mezick and Levin A. Wilson.

Registrar.—A. L. Jones.

Families 100; Souls 500; Baptisms, Adults 6, Infants 7, Total 13; Marriages 5; Burials 5; Communicants, added 4, died 1, removed 3, present number 132; Sunday Schools, Teachers 11; Scholars 30.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions \$43.35; Home for Friendless Children \$10.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$250; amount paid \$175; Current Expenses \$30; Improvements and Repairs \$275.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$1,200; Insured for \$1,000; Saint Paul's Church, Sittings 400; value \$4,000; Insured for \$1,000; St. Philip's Chapel, Sittings 200; value \$2,000; The Parish owns three acres of land.

Since last June the Rectory has been paid for. The Parish Church has been put in thorough repair. Improvements have been made in St. Philip's Chapel. The Rector has established two Mission Stations, one at Sharptown and the other at Barren Creek. The Sisters of St. Philip have done a good work, having rendered the Rector much personal and financial aid. They have charge of the needy sick, and teach in the Sunday School.

FRANKLIN B. ADKINS, *Rector*.

Stepney Parish.

Wardens.—George W. Wingate and George D. Walter.

Vestrymen.—Robert Walter, Geo. D. Walter, John W. Willing, B. Frank Waller, Littleton Leatherbury, Levin Walter, George W. Wingate and Levin J. Dashiell.

Registrar.—Jos. W. Willing.

Families 40; Souls 150; Baptisms, Adults 4, Infants 3, Total 7; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants, present number 12.

Contributions—For Diocesan Uses.—Diocesan Missions 13.50.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$75; amount paid \$30; Current Expenses \$5; Improvements and Repairs \$300; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$5.

Church Property.—St. Bartholomew's Church, Sittings 500; value \$4,000; St. Mary's Chapel, Sittings 200; value \$1,500; The Parish owns three acres of land.

St. Bartholomew's Church, better known as "Old Green Hill Church," the old colonial Parish Church, has been thoroughly renovated and restored, and the cost of restoration, about \$1,200, has been nearly paid. On August 24th, 1886, it was opened for regular services, seven Priests and seven hundred people participating in the opening services. Regular services have since been held.

FRANKLIN B. ADKINS, *Rector*.

WORCESTER COUNTY.

All Hallows' Parish.

Wardens.—J. J. Collins and Ed. P. Davis.

Vestrymen.—J. J. Collins, Ed. P. Davis, Oliver D. Collins, Ed. L. Boehm, E. S. Dashiell, A. D. Irwin, J. J. Hurlock, George V. Shepard.

Registrar.———

Families 25; Souls 230; Baptisms, Infants 12; Confirmed 6; Marriages 4; Burials 5; Communicants, added 6, died 1, removed 1, present number 102; actually communicating 70; Sunday School, Teachers 12; Scholars 80.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions \$16.61; Indian Missions \$2.18; Colored Missions \$2.18; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$3.25.

For Diocesan Uses.—Convention Fund \$18; Diocesan Missions \$24.18.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$650; amount paid \$650; Current Expenses \$75; Improvements and Repairs \$443; Charities for the Poor \$14.

Church Property.—Rectory, valued at \$2,000; Insured for \$1,200; All Hallows' Church,ittings \$50; value \$4,000; Holy Cross Chapel, value \$800; Its Invested Fund amounts to \$4,200.

Since last report, a tower has been added to the Chapel of the Holy Cross, and a new bell purchased. The Rectory property has been improved by the purchase of a strip of land four feet front, and an addition to the building of a two-story part containing four rooms, the cost of which was about \$648.

A. BATTE, *Rector*.

Worcester Parish.

Wardens.—John R. Purnell and John S. Purnell.

Vestrymen.—Dr. T. A. J. Holloway, L. L. Dirickson, Jr., F. H. Purnell, Dr. H. C. Hudson, Dr. E. J. Dirickson, B. Jones Taylor, John T. Keas, R. J. Showell.

Registrar.—E. J. Dirickson.

Families 50; Souls 180; Baptisms, Adult 1, Infants 9, Total 10; Marriages 3; Burials 6; Communicants, added 1, died 1, removed 1, present number 61; Sunday School, Teachers 7; Scholars 38.

Contributions—For the Church at Large.—General Missions (S. School Lent Offerings) \$24.27; Domestic Missions \$12.92; Foreign Missions \$7.32; Church Missions to the Jews \$8.34; Missionary Enrolment Fund \$5; Clergy Relief and for Widows and Orphans \$6.34; Charleston, S. C., \$16.43.

For Diocesan Uses.—Episcopal Fund \$12; Convention Fund \$15; Diocesan Clergy Relief Fund \$11.17; Diocesan Missions \$63.25; Home for Friendless Children \$6.04.

For Parochial Uses.—Rector's Salary, amount promised \$500; amount paid \$493.25; Communion Alms and other Charities for the Poor \$16.53; Rectory \$87.73; For all other purposes \$106.90.

Church Property.—St. Paul's Church, value \$3,000; Insured for \$1,250; St. Martin's Chapel, value \$1,500. The Parish owns four acres of land.

JOHN R. JOYNER, *Rector*.

CLERICAL REPORTS.

During the past year I have preached seven times, baptized one infant, and assisted in the Service and in Administration of the Holy Communion, as health has permitted and opportunity offered.

E. J. STEARNS.

PRINCESS ANNE, MD., May 25th, 1887.

My report to Convention will include the time from June 1st, 1886, to October 20th, following, when I was again obliged, on account of failing health, to relinquish my connection with that interesting Parish of I. U.

In the time above mentioned, I conducted public services at the Church, and preached..... 18
Baptized, infants..... 19
Funeral..... 1
Administered Holy Communion..... 5

OFFERINGS.

Diocesan Missions.....	\$15 00
Home Missions.....	8 50
Clergy Relief Fund.....	5 00
Sunday School.....	4 25
Miscellaneous	5 00
Total.....	\$32 75

Since October of last year I have resided in Princess Anne, with my son, Dr. H. B. Martin, Rector of the Parish, for whom I am able, from time to time, to officiate in the Congregations under his charge. I have in this way preached and lectured fifteen times, besides frequently assisting in the appointed worship.

JNO. MARTIN.

To Rev. Dr. BARBER, *President of Standing Committee, Diocese of Easton.*

To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton :

The undersigned respectfully reports that during the past conventional year, he has been assisting regularly in the services at St. John's Church, Kingston, N. Y., and helping as occasion offered the Rectors of adjoining Parishes.

J. N. WATTSON.

Kingston, N. Y., May 31st, 1887.

TABLE I.—STATISTICS OF PERSONS.

PARISH OR CONGREGATION.	Families.	Individuals.	BAPTISMS.		Confirma- tions.	Marriages.	Funerals.	COMMUNICANTS.			SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		PARISH SCHOOLS.		
			Adult.	In- fant.				Add.	Died.	Re- moved.	Present No.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Teachers.	Scholars.
St. John's, Caroline.....	96	180	3	35	17	4	7	17	...	1	66	3	30	...	...
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	*26	*130	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	*26	...	...	...	...
St. James' Church.....	15	95	...	5	...	...	1	...	...	5	21	...	63	...	...
St. James' Church.....	*30	*115	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	*35	...	...	...	...
North Elk.....	64	332	1	58	...	15	24	15	2	17	92	8	100	...	...
N. Sassafras.....	17	75	...	14	...	...	5	...	...	10	34	6	29	...	...
Trinity, Elkton.....	65	240	1	19	...	...	4	5	2	5	74	8	42	...	...
Dorchester.....	20	130	...	3	...	...	1	3	...	...	34	...	...	...	...
East New Market.....	96	130	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Great Choptank.....	80	400	2	19	...	...	13	12	...	8	174	11	115	...	...
Vienna.....	15	153	1	12	...	...	1	4	...	1	103	9	80	...	...
Chesler.....	37	148	...	...	...	2	7	2	1	...	*32	4	27	...	...
L. U.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	...
North Kent.....	30	*120	...	19	...	...	1	...	...	3	64	...	...	...	...
St. Paul's.....	29	*123	1	15	...	...	6	12	1	12	94	8	...	...	...
St. Andrew's.....	67	205	...	5	...	...	2	6	...	...	...	...	36	...	...
Christ Church.....	90	120	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Luke's.....	62	186	1	9	...	...	1	12	...	7	112	6	...	...	...
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	84	350	...	22	...	...	5	...	...	...	141	9	68	...	...
Wye.....	...	...	...	9	...	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	12
Covey.....	52	254	1	21	...	...	2	16	1	...	72	4	...	...	...
Somersett.....	80	550	5	13	...	...	3	16	3	3	103	10	80	...	...
Wicomico.....	23	125	...	...	...	4	12	3	6	20	196	20	120	...	...
Pocomoke.....	60	360	1	14	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	7	50	...	...
All Saints.....	43	190	2	20	...	...	10	10	...	10	113	8	90	...	...
Mills River.....	26	110	1	7	...	...	2	...	...	2	1	69	6	70	...
St. Michael's.....	62	300	...	3	...	...	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Peter's.....	73	325	...	10	...	...	7	...	...	...	85	9	60	...	...
Trinity Cathedral.....	40	135	...	2	...	...	...	2	...	9	135	13	125	...	...
Whitmarsh.....	74	325	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	6	65	12	95	...	...
Salisbury.....	108	407	...	14	...	...	...	7	...	...	114	13	28	...	...
Spring Hill.....	100	500	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	125	13	125	...	...
Stepney.....	40	150	4	3	...	...	...	4	1	3	132	11	30	...	...
All Hallow's.....	25	230	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Worcester.....	50	180	1	9	...	...	...	6	1	1	102	12	80	...	...
St. Paul's by the Sea.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	38	...	...
Totals.....	1,608	7,353	31	410	136	86	183	187	32	120	2,703	223	1,700	2	36

* Supplemented from last year's Journal.

Summary of Parochial Reports.

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At special Convention for Charleston, \$56.90.
Contributions for all purposes: General, \$631.18; Diocesan, \$3,335.96; Parochial, \$27,866.51; Other purposes, \$2,376.25; Total, \$34,276.80.
*These totals are taken from the reports of the Diocesan Treasurers.

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In Memoriam.



Rev. Lewis Walke,

RECTOR OF NORTH SASSAFRAS PARISH

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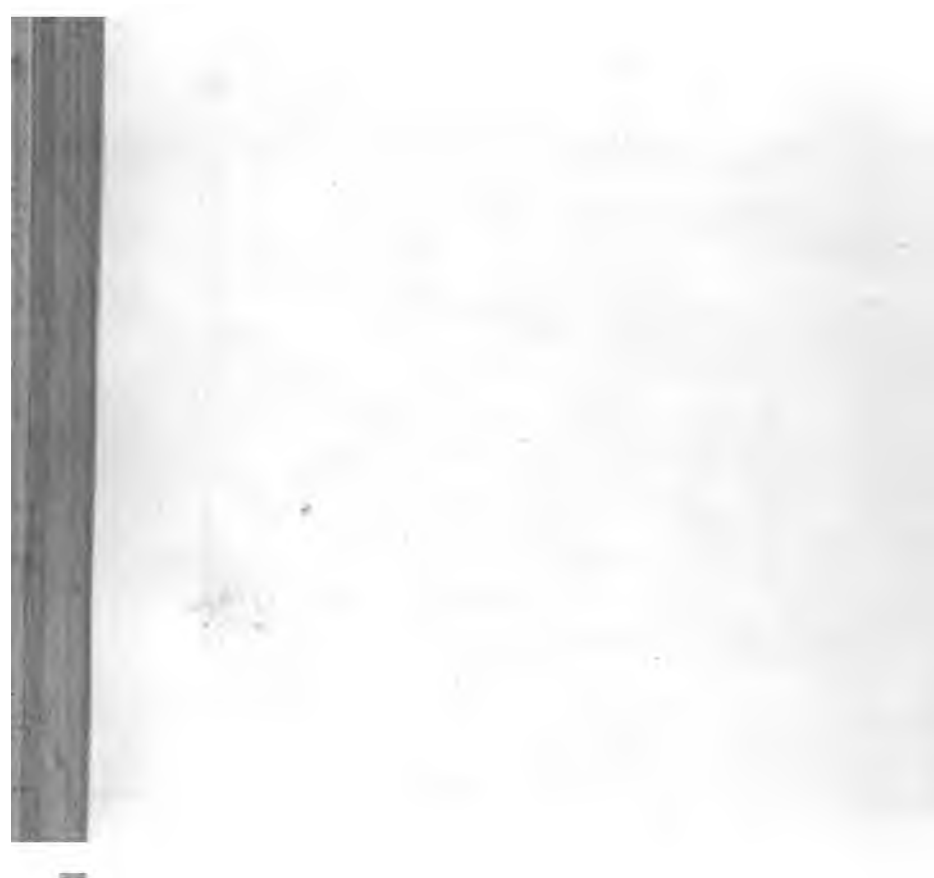
DEAN OF THE NORTHERN CONVOCATION.

BORN AUGUST 11TH, 1819.

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PARISH, DECEMBER, 1873.

RESTED FROM HIS LABORS, MARCH 16TH, 1887.



APPENDIX.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HOME FOR FRIENDLESS CHILDREN OF THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND.

The year that has passed has been marked by no unusual occurrence at the Home, except that for the first time since our organization we had a case of contagious disease—scarlet fever—during which we realized the great advantage of our Infirmary, which enabled us to isolate the child completely and prevent the spread of the disorder. The attack was light and the child recovered.

Four children have been received, and four of the larger girls provided with homes, reducing the number of inmates to fourteen. We greatly deplore our inability to reach some of the destitute children of the Diocese, and would gladly double our number if we could procure those whose friends would comply with our conditions, which are very simple. We hope the clergymen of the Diocese will endeavor to bring our Institution under the notice of those who may be seeking a refuge for the orphaned or destitute little ones.

The Home is in good working order under the management of a lady experienced in similar Institutions, and the aim is to fit these girls to help themselves when they arrive at womanhood.

Since the death of our beloved Bishop, we see a decrease of interest in our work and a diminution of the substantial help given by the Parishes. He never failed to present the claim of this, our only Diocesan Institution, and was deeply interested in its success.

By prudence and economy we manage to live upon our small invested fund, aided by the Thanksgiving donations and the help afforded by the Parishes in clothing the children. But much more might be done for the comfort and improvement of the little flock if greater means were at our disposal. The house has been painted but once since its erection in 1873, and we would like to bring into it the supply of pure water with which the town is now provided. Annexed is the list of donations and of Parishes wherein children are clothed. The Ministering Children's League of Princess Anne will begin next fall to clothe a child.

All which is respectfully submitted,

E. A. GOLDSBOROUGH, *President.*

JOSIE P. DAWSON, *Cor. Secretary.*

LIST OF PROVISIONS, ETC., RECEIVED.

August—3 barrels of flour, Mr. Holt of Hillsborough.

September—Mrs. Downes, 1 barrel potatoes, 1 ham. Mr. Dwyer, a large quantity of vegetables of various kinds.

TABLE III.—STATISTICS OF BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY.

PARISHES.	RECTORY.		CHURCHES.			GLEBE.		INVESTED FUND.
	Value.	Insurance.	Number.	Value.	Insurance.	Sittings.	No. Acres.	Value.
St. John's, Caroline.....	\$1,500 00		2	\$6,000 00		450	5	\$400 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	\$1,100 00	\$550 00	1	2,400 00	\$1,600 00	125		
Augustine.....			2	7,000 00	3,520 00	275		
St. James.....	3,000 00	2,000 00	2	3,000 00	3,000 00	250		
North Elk.....	3,000 00	2,000 00	3	8,100 00	3,750 00	430	18	
N. Sassafras.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	2	9,000 00	8,600 00	325	300	12,075 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	2	4,000 00	3,000 00	200		\$375 43
Dorchester.....	1,000 00	600 00	2	1,000 00	3,000 00	300		
East New Market.....	2,300 00	1,500 00	3	21,900 00	16,500 00	500		
Great Choptank.....	2,000 00		1	400 00				
Vienna.....	2,000 00		1	6,800 00		305		
Chesler.....	2,000 00		1	3,000 00		200		2,000 00
I. U.....	2,000 00		1	7,500 00				
North Kent.....	3,000 00	1,875 00	2	4,000 00	2,025 00		50	
St. Paul's, Kent.....	2,000 00	1,464 00	2	6,050 00	4,040 00	200	10	1,000 00
Shrewsbury.....	1,800 00	1,000 00	1	3,000 00	2,500 00	150		
Christ Church.....	2,400 00	1,600 00	2	7,700 00	3,000 00	250	4	
St. Luke's, Q. A.....	4,200 00	3,000 00	1	6,800 00	4,500 00	350		1,000 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	1,200 00		2	2,000 00		350	3 1/2	
Coventry.....	1,000 00	600 00	3	5,200 00	1,000 00	500		
Somerseset.....	3,000 00	1,500 00	2	9,000 00	5,000 00	300	50	5,600 00
Wicomico.....	1,800 00	1,250 00	1	1,500 00		120		
Pocomoke.....	3,000 00	2,300 00	2	6,000 00	3,000 00	250		445 45
All Saints.....	1,800 00	1,200 00	2	9,700 00	6,000 00	265	33	
Miles River.....	2,500 00	2,000 00	3	10,000 00				
St. Michael's.....	4,000 00	3,000 00	2	18,800 00	5,000 00	350		3,000 00
St. Peter's.....	* 2,750 00	2,400 00	2	1,200 00	14,000 00		1 lot	
Trinity Cathedral.....	2,500 00	1,500 00	2	4,700 00	3,500 00	250		2,500 00
Whitemarsh.....	1,200 00	1,000 00	2	6,000 00	1,000 00	600	2	1,000 00
Salisbury.....	2,000 00	1,500 00	3	5,500 00		700	3	
Spring Hill.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	3	4,800 00		350	4	4,200 00
Stepney.....	2,000 00		1	1,500 00		250		
All Hallows.....								
Worcester.....								
St. Paul's by the Sea.....								
Totals.....	\$61,550 00	\$38,639 00	63	\$294,050 00	\$109,810 00	9,056	485.5	\$17,175 00

*Supplemental from last year's Journal.

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Brought forward.....	\$899 85
WICOMICO COUNTY.	
Spring Hill Parish.....	\$10 00
Total from Wicomico County.....	10 00
Total Contributions from Parishes.....	\$403 85
Interest on Investments.....	\$848 79
Appropriation from the Legislature.....	2,500 00
From Friends in Virginia.....	2 00
From Friends in Baltimore.....	4 00
Board from Matron's Mother.....	94 00
Money received for children's benefit for service rendered after leaving the "Home," which we pay to them as soon as they become of age.....	174 75
Miscellaneous.....	30 00
Balance in Bank, June, 1886.....	39 31
	<u>3,692 85</u>
Total receipts.....	\$4,096 70

EXPENDITURES.

Matron's Salary.....	\$183 34
Assistant Matron.....	137 50
Supplies.....	658 43
Contingencies.....	50 00
Fuel.....	83 07
Medicine.....	22 30
Stationery.....	2 14
Stoves, Repairs, etc.....	109 79
Clothing.....	338 62
Twenty Mattresses, Bedding, and other Household Articles...	125 28
Paid note in Bank.....	200 00
Fire Insurance.....	25 20
Miscellaneous.....	31 05
Paid three of the children, as soon as they became of age, ("their money") for services rendered after leaving the "Home.".....	124 75
Total spent.....	<u>\$2,091 47</u>

INVESTMENTS.

Loaned on Mortgage, \$2,000, interest paid in advance, mak- ing check.....	\$1,940 00
Loaned on note for one of the children.....	50 00
Balance in Bank.....	15 23
	<u>\$4,096 7</u>

EASTON, May 27, 1887.

MRS. J. E. M. CHAMBERLAINE, *Treasurer.*

The following contribution will be included in the next Report: Shrew-
bury Parish, \$2.00.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN THE DIOCESE OF EASTON, *in*
account with THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

DR.

1886.	June	5.	To cash per check from Chairman Committee on Parochial contributions.....	\$816 75
	July		To cash from Rev. S. D. Hall of St. Mary's Whitechapel.....	7 00
	Oct.	1.	To cash from Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell for St. Michael's Parish.....	21 00
	Oct.	1.	To cash from Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell for Shrewsbury Parish.....	10 00

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1886,			By balance due Treasurer last report.....	\$ 60 43
June	8.		By cash paid Rev. C. E. Buck, voucher No. 1,	8 75
June	4.	"	" " " Jas. A. Mitchell, " 2,	25 00
June	21.	"	" " " T. P. Barber, " 3,	30 00
June	21.	"	" " " E. Taylor, Sexton, " 4,	10 00
Sept.	27.	"	" " " Rev. A. Batte, " 5,	40 00
Sept.	28.	"	" " " Wm. K. Boyle & Son, " 6,	210 57
Sept.	30.	"	" " " Dr. Mackall. " 7,	40 00
Oct.	4.	"	" " " Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, " 8,	22 90
Oct.	20.	"	" " " Geo. A. Shattuck, " 9,	102 00
Oct.	23.	"	" " " Rev. F. W. Hilliard, " 10,	35 00
Nov.	4.	"	" " " Rev. T. P. Barber, " 11,	60 00
Nov.	4.	"	" " " Rev. E. K. Miller, " 12,	40 00
Nov.	5.	"	" " " Rev. F. W. Hilliard, " 13,	55 00
Nov.	15.	"	" " " I. S. Adams, " 14,	10 00
Nov.	29.	"	" " " Rev. C. E. Buck, " 15,	3 40
Nov.	29.	"	" " " Wm. K. Boyle & Son, " 16,	3 50
Dec.	3.	"	" " " Rev. S. C. Roberts, " 17,	7 85
Dec.	9.	"	" " " Rev. F. W. Hilliard, " 18,	9 66
1887.				
Jan.	15.	"	" " " Rev. Jas. A. Mitchell, " 19,	1 32
May	18.	"	" " " Rev. T. P. Barber, " 20,	50 00
May	24.	"	" " " Geo. E. Haddaway, " 24,	2 00

\$847 38 \$854 75

Balance in hand June 1st, 1887.

7 37

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS HUGHLETT, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CLERGY RELIEF FUND,

For the year ending May 31, 1887.

1886.

June 1.	Deficit due me, as per amended report of last year, published in Journal of 18th Annual Convention, with proceedings of adjourned session held at Salisbury, Aug. 26, 1886, (see appendix No. 11, pages 84 and 85).	\$155 09
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE FUND RECEIVED THIS YEAR.

June 10.	From North Elk Parish.....	\$ 6 89
" 10,	" St. Paul's Parish, Q. A.....	8 36
" 15,	" All Saint's Parish.....	10 09
" 15,	" Chester Parish.....	5 55
" 15,	" Dorchester Parish.....	1 30
" 17,	" Great Choptank Parish.....	10 15
" 23,	" Worcester Parish.....	4 81
July 12,	" Trinity Parish.....	5 92
" 12,	" Augustine Parish.....	1 15
" 26,	" Whitmarsh.....	33 50
Nov. 27,	" All Hollow' Parish.....	2 55
1887.		
Jan. 5,	" I. U. Parish.....	6 00
April 11,	" St. Peter's Parish.....	38 73
" 12,	" St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	6 00
" 15,	" Somerset Parish.....	5 17
May 20,	" Trinity Cathedral.....	5 13
" 26,	" Coventry Parish.....	5 28
" 28,	" Great Choptank Parish.....	9 00
" 30,	" Whitmarsh Parish.....	22 59
" 30,	" Chester Parish.....	12 26
" 31,	" Dorchester Parish.....	1 09
" 31,	" Somerset Parish.....	18 61
" 31,	" Individual offering.....	25 00
" 31,	" August and July dividend on M. H. A. Stock.....	60 00
" 31,	" Interest on six per cent. Loans.....	192 00

Total amount received to May 31, 1887.....\$497 13

By cash balance in my hands May 31, 1887...

\$342 04

\$497 13

THE CLERGY RELIEF FUND IS INVESTED AS FOLLOWS:

In Masonic Hall Association, at par.....	\$1,200 00
In six per cent. loans, secured by good notes.....	3,200 00
By cash in my hands at close of this report.....	342 04

Making total amount of this Fund to date..... \$4,742 04

Being an increase of \$479.13 the past year.

EASTON, May 31st, 1887. EDM'D L. F. HARDCASTLE, *Treasurer*.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND WITH
TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Cash balance at last report..... \$3,608 22

RECEIPTS.

From subscriptions paid this conventional year.....	240 00
From sale of 1,000 bond W. Va. Central R. R.....	1,000 00
	<u>\$4,848 22</u>

EXPENSES.

Paid on account of visitations of Bishops.....	95 00
Paid for taxes.....	144 85
Paid for Sundries.....	8 37

INVESTED.

In loan secured by Mortgage.....	2,000 00
In loan secured by note.....	2,600 00

INTEREST AND DIVIDEND AND EXTRA ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS.

Applicable to Salary and contingencies.....\$2,510 99

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer*.

EASTON, May, 1887.

The Trustees respectfully submit to the Convention the above account of their Treasurer, showing investments of \$4,600 in part temporary, and the sum in hand of \$2,510.99—a clear gain for the year, derived from interest, dividends, and the extra assessment—with which to pay salary and to augment capital.

A list of the securities composing the Episcopal Fund is herewith presented for the information of the Convention, attested by the President, Finance Committee as *intact*, and in the Safe Deposit box kept at the Easton National Bank of Maryland, being of the par value of \$41,025, and of a market value of two thousand dollars more.

The Trustees are glad to believe that the salary of the Bishop is now assured, the investments at this time promising revenue sufficient, a consummation at which all must feel satisfaction.

It would seem prudent to continue awhile longer the small assessment, as a provision for house rent—till there is a Bishop's Residence, so maintaining if not increasing the Fund.

This is respectfully recommended for the consideration of the Convention.

EDM'D L. F. HARDCASTLE,
GEO. R. GOLDSBOROUGH,
EDWARD LLOYD,
W. S. WALKER,
I. L. ADKINS.

PETITION FROM ST. JOHN'S, CAROLINE.

GREENSBOROUGH, *May 25th*, 1887.

We, the undersigned Vestrymen of St. John's Parish, Caroline County, Md., and members and contributors to the Church of the Holy Trinity, respectfully ask your honorable body, to divide the said Parish, by the herein named lines, beginning at a point on the Choptank River known as the Brick Mills, and running with the said county road until it intersects the road running from Greensborough to Hillsborough, thence with said road southward until it reaches the county road leading from the Denton and Hillsborough road, at a point opposite Dr. Atkinson's Farm to Jumptown, then with said county road by Jumptown and the mills owned by Mr. Garey, in Queen Anne's County, until it reaches the line bounding the present Parish, making that portion of St. John's Parish lying north and east of said lines, a separate Parish to be known and called Parish of the Holy Trinity, Greensborough. Your petitioners believe that this division would greatly benefit the Church, by giving them a Rector at Greensborough, with regular service twice every Sunday and on other Church days.

G. W. GOLDSBOROUGH,	WM. T. DOWNS, <i>Warden</i> ,
A. GOLDSBOROUGH,	GEO. W. ERNST,
A. MASSEY,	J. P. MANLOVE.
S. TINGES, M. D.	JOHN S. MITCHELL,
SAM'L J. JARMAN,	A. A. CHRISTIAN,
BENJ. HOUSE,	F. R. MALONE,
	ESMA LOWE.

HILLSBOROUGH, MD., *May 30th*, 1887.

DEAR MR. ERNST:

At a meeting of the Vestry to-day, the matter of a division of the Parish so as to give Greensborough section its own Rector, was mentioned, and with the hearty accord of all, believing it would result so much in good to the Greensborough section. Of course, certain preliminary steps must be gone through with before a division can be consummated.

Fifty dollars have been *pledged* down here to meet the deficit in my salary on last year.

Truly and kindly yours,

GEO. F. BEAVEN.

PETITION FROM AUGUSTINE PARISH.

At a meeting of the Vestry of Augustine Parish, Cecil County, in the State of Maryland, and in the Diocese of Easton, held in Chesapeake City, Maryland, on Monday in Easter Week, April 11th, 1887, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the more central location of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Chesapeake City, for the holding of elections for Vestrymen, the said Church be, and the same is hereby designated by the Vestry as the Parish Church of Augustine Parish, subject to the approval of the Convention of the Diocese of Easton.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution, duly attested by the Registrar of the Parish, be presented by the Rector and Lay Delegate at the approaching Annual Convention of the Diocese, and that they respectfully petition the Convention for its approval of the action therein taken.

ATTEST:

BYRON BOUCHELLE,

Registrar of Augustine Parish.

Chesapeake City, May 25th, 1887.

BISHOP WHITAKER'S REPORT.

4027 WALNUT STREET, PHILA., May 31st, 1887.

MY DEAR DOCTOR:

I have to report that from May 17th to the 21st, I confirmed in the Diocese of Easton fifty-six persons, whose names with the Parishes to which they respectively belong you will find upon the slips enclosed: I also preached in the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Stockton, and laid the corner-stone of the tower of the Chapel.

I was treated everywhere with great kindness and consideration, and shall always cherish pleasant memories of the visitation.

I trust that in your approaching Convention one will be chosen to be your Bishop, and that he will feel that the election is from God.

Should I ever be in a position to render any service to you or your Diocese, it will afford me pleasure to do so.

Faithfully yours,

O. W. WHITAKER.

The Rev. Dr. BARBER, *President Standing Committee.*

May 17th.—St. Mary's Church, Pocomoke City, Confirmed.....	7
May 18th.—All Hallows', Snow Hill, Confirmed.....	6
May 19th.—St. Mark's, Kingston, Confirmed.....	5
May 19th.—P. M.—St. Stephen's, Fairmount, Confirmed.....	4
May 20th.—St. Andrew's Church, Princess Anne, Confirmed.....	28
At the same time and place, from Grace Church, Wicomico Parish, Confirmed.	6
There were Confirmed in all.....	56

BISHOP WATTSON'S REPORT.

REV. THEO. P. BARBER,

President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton.

REVEREND AND DEAR BROTHER:

In compliance with the request of your Standing Committee, I have met the following appointments and performed the following Official Acts within the Diocese of Easton.

Wednesday, May 25th.—Morning Prayer—Christ Church, Cambridge;	
took part in the service; Preached and Confirmed.....	12
Afternoon.—St. John's, Haven Neck; Spoke on Confirmation	
and Confirmed.....	1
Night.—Trinity Cathedral, Easton; took part in the service;	
Preached and Confirmed.....	5
Thursday, May 26th.—Morning Prayer—Christ Church, Easton; took part	
in the service; Preached and Confirmed.....	4
Evening Prayer—St. Michael's, Talbot County; took part in	
Service: Preached and Confirmed.....	3
Friday, May 27th.—Morning Prayer—St. John's, Miles River; took part	
in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	1
Evening Prayer—Tunis Mills; took part in the Service;	
Preached and Confirmed.....	4
Saturday, May 28th.—Morning Prayer—St. John's, Hillsboro'; took part	
in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	6
Whitsun Day, May 29th.—Morning Prayer—St. Paul's, Centreville; took	
part in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	1
Evening Prayer—St. Luke's, Church Hill; took part in the	
Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	10
Whitsun Monday, May 30th.—Afternoon—Evening Prayer—Emmanuel	
Church, Chestertown; took part in the Service; Preached	
and Confirmed.....	2
At Night—Evening Prayer—St. Paul's, Kent County; took	
part in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	4
Whitsun Tuesday, May 31st.—Evening Prayer—Shrewsbury Church; took	
part in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	7
Wednesday, June 1st.—Morning Prayer—Emmanuel Church, Chester-	
town; took part in the opening Service of the Diocesan	
Convention and Preached.	
Thursday, June 2nd.—Evening Prayer—Emmanuel Church, Chestertown;	
took part in the Service and Preached.	

Friday, June 3rd.—Evening Prayer—Trinity Church, Elkton; took part in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	8
Saturday, June 4th.—Afternoon—At a private house near Perryville, Confirmed.....	1
Trinity Sunday, June 5th.—Morning Prayer—S. near Perryville; took part in the Service; Preached and Confirmed.....	1
Evening Prayer—St. Mary's, North-East; took part in the Service and Preached.	
At Night.—Evening Prayer—St. John's in the Wilderness, near North-East; took part in the Service and Preached.	

From the above statement it will appear that I have officiated 20 times, in 18 places, and have confirmed 70 persons.

The whole visitation was made easy and delightful by the uniform forethought, courtesy, hospitality and kindness of the brethren, Clerical and Lay, for which I heartily thank them.

May God continue to bless the Diocese with grace and prosperity.

ALFRED A. WATSON,
Bishop of East Carolina.

June 9th, 1887.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

TO CASH PAID DRAFTS, AS FOLLOWS:

From July 1st, 1886, to April 1st, 1887.

St. James' Church, Port Deposit, (one quarter not in last report).....	\$250 00
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	150 00
St. John's, Caroline ".....	100 00
Augustine ".....	100 00
St. Luke's ".....	100 00
I. U. ".....	100 00
Dorchester ".....	250 00
Coventry ".....	200 00
Spring Hill and Stepney ".....	200 00
East New Market ".....	183 33
Paid for Printing Envelopes.....	4 55
	<hr/> \$1,637 88

From June 14th, 1886, to June 1st, 1887.

By balance from last report.....	\$ 15 17
Cash from North Elk Parish.....	30 55
All Saints' Parish.....	50 18
St. Peter's Parish.....	189 33
Whitemarsh Parish.....	72 55
St. Mary's Whitechapel Parish.....	28 25
Chester.....	79 00
Wye.....	42 00
Worcester.....	63 25
Miles River.....	50 00
Great Choptank.....	120 50
Rev. J. W. Nott.....	4 00
Pocomoke.....	30 00
Salisbury.....	77 18
Trinity, Elkton.....	68 91
Augustine.....	10 00
Dorchester.....	30 00
St. Luke's.....	45 50
I. U.....	7 50
St. John's, Caroline.....	18 00
North Kent.....	10 04
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	93 68
Shrewsbury.....	66 65
North Sassafras.....	29 36
All Hallows'.....	24 18
Coventry.....	56 59
Somerset.....	50 00
Spring Hill.....	43 35
Stepney.....	13 50
Wicomico.....	11 25
Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
St. James' Church, Port Deposit.....	32 45
St. Paul's, Kent, Parish.....	2 56
East New Market and Vienna Parishes.....	30 00
By Deficit.....	92 40
	<hr/> \$1,637 88

To Deficit..... \$ 92 40

I. L. ADKINS, *Treasurer.*

PLEDGES FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

PARISHES.		PARISHES.	
St. John's, Caroline.....	\$10 00	Somerset.....	\$75 00
Augustine.....	10 00	Wicomico	15 00
Trinity, Elkton.....	60 00	Pocomoke	30 00
Dorchester.....	20 00	St. Michael's.	50 00
East New Market.....	15 00	St. Peter's.....	187 50
Great Choptank.....	125 00	Whitemarsh.....	70 00
Vienna.....	15 00	Trinity Cathedral.....	50 00
Chester.....	80 00	All Saints'.....	50 00
I. U.....	5 00	Miles River.....	30 00
North Kent.....	10 00	Salisbury.....	75 00
Shrewsbury	60 00	Spring Hill.....	40 00
Christ Church	20 00	Stepney	15 00
St. Paul's, Q. A.....	100 00	All Hallows'.....	20 00
Wye.....	25 00	Worcester	55 00
Coventry.....	35 00		
			\$1,247 50

VICKSBURG, June 6th, 1887.

Rev. T. P. BARBER, D. D.

Rev. JAS. A. MITCHELL.

MY DEAR BRETHREN:

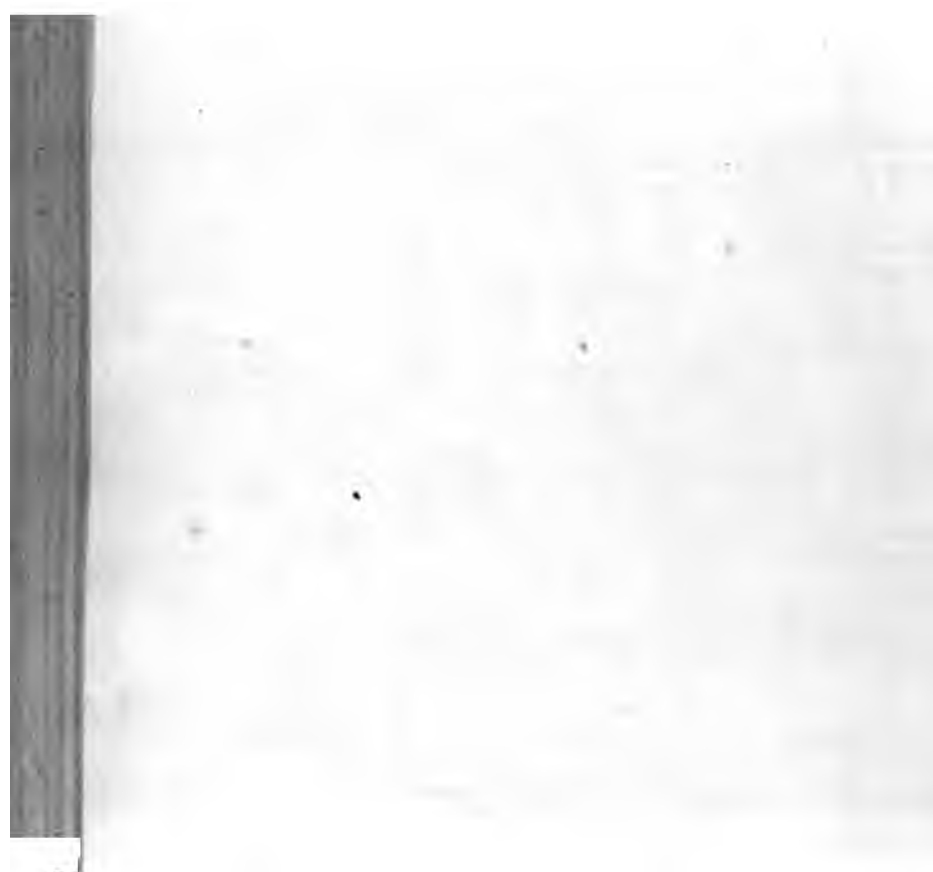
Yours of the 3rd inst. has just reached me. I telegraphed my acceptance, on Friday the 3rd, in reply to the dispatch of the Reverend Secretary of the Convention, so that it might be known before adjournment.

One can express little feeling in the brevity of a dispatch. I assure you that I am profoundly sensible of the trust you have placed in me, and the honor you have conferred upon me, and the hearty welcome you offer me, more than I can well express.

I will try my dear brethren not to be wholly unworthy of it. If, in the providence of God, the Church wills that I should serve you, I shall depend upon your help, your prayers and steadfast support, in a work that, not the strongest can do alone. Will you kindly inform me *where* the home is situated that you propose for your Diocesan.

Very sincerely yours in Christ and His Church,

W. F. ADAMS.



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PROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS

DUE AT CONVENTION, 1887.

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retary has compiled this table from the Report of the Committee on , and also from the last Journal, the extra assessment for the and having been continued for next year.

Committee on Assessments also report the following averages:

	Conven- tion Fund.	Extra Assess- ment.		Conven- tion Fund.	Extra Assess- ment.
White chapel, S & C	\$4 00		Christ Church,		\$7 50
Atoline	2 50		South Church		25 00
Wich	1 00		St. Michael's	\$4 00	7 50
.....	10 00		Sabbath		15 00
.....	10 00		Ad. Hallows'		9 00





A BRIEF PASTORAL TO ACCOMPANY THE JOURNAL.

BY THE LATE BISHOP OF THE DECEASED.

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For weak coupling, we consider that the normal modes are $\delta\phi$ and $\delta\sigma$, the scalar fields, $\delta\chi$ and $\delta\psi$, and the fermions, which are $\delta\psi_L$ and $\delta\psi_R$. The Lagrangian can be written

To test the test of weakly correlated group address table solutions over a large population of randomly generated networks, we used the test on the 1000 generated networks described in Section 3.7.5.

When you're a designer, you'd be one of those people, heading to materials. With our technology, it's like having the equivalent of what's going on in the laboratory, in your hands, and the experience is a lot more fun. It's a lot more engaging, and the idea that the

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